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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 56, L.D. 59, Bill, “An Act To Establish a Recall Process for Elected Officials in Plantations”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'An Act To Permit Plantations To Fill Vacancies of Town Officials'**

Amend the bill in the emergency preamble by striking out all of the 3rd paragraph (page 1, lines 5 to 8 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

**'Whereas**, the inability to fill a vacancy when an official is unable or unwilling to fulfill the duties required of the office directly affects the ability of the plantation to conduct its official business, which has a negative effect on the public interest and is of a direct concern to the State; and'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §7006, sub-§1, ¶B**, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 and Pt. C, §106 and amended by PL 1989, c. 6; c. 9, §2; and c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:

B. Laws relating to the election, appointment, hiring, qualification, filling of vacancies, duties, powers, compensation, liabilities and penalties for official neglect and misconduct of town officials and employees.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment strikes the bill except for the emergency preamble and clause, and, instead of establishing a recall process, it gives plantations the authority to fill a vacancy in the office of a town official.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**