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SENATE AMENDMENT “ ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H.P. 176, L.D. 199, Bill, “An Act To Strengthen Maine's Election Laws by Requiring Photograph Identification for the Purpose of Voting”

Amend the amendment in section 1 in subsection 1 by striking out all of the last 2 underlined sentences (page 1, lines 29 to 33 in amendment) and inserting the following: 'Before November 7, 2012, a voter must be permitted to vote a regular ballot even if the voter does not present the required photographic identification. On and after November 7, 2012, if a person who wishes to vote does not present photographic identification but is known to an election worker at the voting place, the identity of the person may be verified as provided in subsection 1-A and the person may vote a regular ballot. If the person is not known to an election worker at the voting place, that person must be permitted to cast a provisional ballot as provided by section 671-A.'

Amend the amendment in section 2 by striking out all of subsection 1-A and inserting the following:

1-A. Voter known to election worker; verification of identity. A voter who does not provide photographic identification on election day as required by subsection 1 and is known to an election worker at the voting place may be issued a regular ballot if the election worker orally attests to the identity of the voter. For purposes of this subsection, "election worker" includes a municipal clerk, registrar or election official.'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in §671-A in the first indented paragraph in the 2nd line (page 2, line 14 in amendment) by striking out the following: "verified by affidavit" and inserting the following: 'attested to by an election worker'

SUMMARY

This amendment allows a person who is known to an election worker to vote without

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1 providing photographic identification if the election worker orally attests to the identity of
2 the person.

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