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An Act Concerning the Property Tax Levy Limit

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative HANLEY of Pittston. Cosponsored by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis and Representatives: BRADSTREET of Vassalboro, JOHANSEN of Monticello, ORDWAY of Standish, PIERCE of Dresden, WALLACE of Dexter.

1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §5721-A, sub-§7, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 2, Pt. C,
 §1 and affected by §§3 and 5 and c. 12, Pt. WW, §16, is amended to read:

A. If the municipal budget is adopted by town meeting or by referendum, the
property tax levy limit may be exceeded by the same process that applies to adoption
of the municipal budget except that the vote must be by written ballot on a separate
article that specifically identifies the intent to exceed the property tax levy limit.

SUMMARY

9 This bill eliminates the requirement of a vote by written ballot on a separate article to 10 exceed or increase the property tax levy limit in municipalities where the budget is 11 approved by town meeting or referendum.