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HOUSE BILL 504

AN ACT relative to election-related amendments to the United States Constitution.

SPONSORS: Rep. Read, Rock. 17; Rep. Butler, Carr. 7; Rep. Vann, Hills. 24; Rep. T. Smith, Hills. 17; Rep. W. Pearson, Ches. 16; Rep. Guthrie, Rock. 13; Sen. Fuller Clark, Dist 21

COMMITTEE: Legislative Administration

ANALYSIS

This bill calls upon Congress to support election-related amendments to the United States Constitution.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in **bold italics**.

Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

AN ACT relative to election-related amendments to the United States Constitution.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 1 Amendment to the United States Constitution.
- I. The general court hereby calls upon the United States Congress to support a constitutional amendment containing the following language:
- "Section I. Congress and State Legislatures shall regulate the role of money in elections and governance to ensure transparency, prevent corruption, and protect against the buying of access to or influence over representatives. No such regulation shall be deemed in violation of freedom of speech rights in the Constitution of the United States or its Amendments.
- Section II. Legislative districts or districting plans shall not intentionally or unduly favor or disfavor any political party. Within twelve months of ratification, all federal and state district lines shall be redrawn to conform hereto."
- II. Within 6 months of the effective date of this section, the general court shall hold one public hearing to be attended by 6 members of the house of representatives, 3 from each the 2 largest parties, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, and 2 members of the senate, one from each the 2 largest parties, appointed by the president of the senate to record public comments on such an amendment, to be forwarded to New Hampshire's congressional delegation along with the notification of the passage of this act.
- 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.