

Government Administration and Elections Committee

JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

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AN ACT CONCERNING A TECHNICAL CHANGE CONCERNING

Title: GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION.

Vote Date: 3/23/2026

Vote Action: Joint Favorable Substitute

PH Date: 3/18/2026

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

The Government Administration and Elections Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

This bill seeks to revise grammatical and technical discrepancies as well as consolidate redundant language within the statutes regarding government organization. This change is done to clean up errors and provide clarity on previously unclear surrounding statutes due to language.

SUBSTITUTE LANGUAGE (IF APPLICABLE):

Removes technical changes; expands who a program participant may request to use their program address to include persons; adds ability for program participants to shield real property records for any property they acquire an ownership interest in while participating in the program; prohibits town clerks and other relevant municipal departments to disclose the property records, with exceptions; creates process for title examinations for shielded records; establishes FOIA exemption for shielded property records.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None Expressed.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

None Expressed.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None Expressed.

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