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No. 58

H. P. 49

House of Representatives, January 10, 1979

Referred to the Committee on Election Laws. Sent up for concurrence.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Ms. Benoit of South Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Clarify the Filing Deadline for Candidates' Reports to the Commission
on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.**

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

Sec. 1. 21 MRSA § 1397, sub-§ 3, ¶ F, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 589, § 2, is amended by adding after the first sentence a new sentence to read:

The reports may either be filed in person with the commission on that date, or postmarked by that time on that date.

Sec. 2. 21 MRSA § 1397, sub-§ 4, ¶ D, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 589, § 3, is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read:

The reports may either be filed in person with the commission on that date, or postmarked by that time on that date.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill clarifies the determination of failure by candidates to report on time to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices, by making the filing deadline either that of receipt in the commission's office or that of the postmark on the envelope.