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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 116TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT " ${\cal B}$ " to H.P. 1149, L.D. 1549, Bill, "An Act to Set Voluntary Limits for Campaign Spending"

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Amend the bill by striking out all of section 4 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 4. Commission to implement within existing resources. The Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices shall implement this Act within existing budgeted resources.'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of the fiscal note and inserting in its place the following:

FISCAL NOTE

This bill establishes a new program dealing with voluntary 30 limits on campaign spending for certain statewide and countywide elections. The fiscal impact of this bill depends on the desired amount of monitoring and analysis required of these revised 32 The Commission on Governmental campaign finance activities. 34 Ethics and Election Practices has requested additional General Fund appropriations of \$126,618 and \$87,693 in fiscal years 36 1993-94 and 1994-95, respectively, to provide funds for a Clerk Typist II position, a Data Entry Specialist position, a Research 38 and Planning Assistant I position, general operating expenses and capital equipment needs to develop a computerized tracking 40 system. This bill requires the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices to absorb the costs associated with this 42 legislation.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment eliminates the General Fund appropriation and requires that the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices implement the bill's provisions within existing budgeted resources.

The amendment also replaces the fiscal note.

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