

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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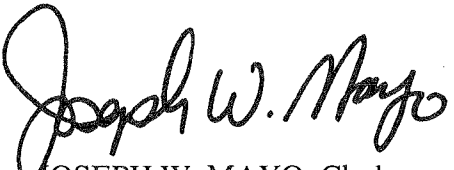
H.P. 625

House of Representatives, February 6, 1997

**An Act to Reduce the Time Political Signs May Be Placed in the Public  
Right-of-Way.**

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Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative CIANCHETTE of South Portland.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: BUMPS of China, FOSTER of Gray, KASPRZAK of  
Newport, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth.

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

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**Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §1913-A, sub-§1, ¶H,** as enacted by PL 1981, c. 318, §3, is amended to read:

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H. Signs bearing political messages relating to an election, primary or referendum, provided that these signs may not be placed within the right-of-way prior to ~~6~~ 3 weeks before the election, primary or referendum to which they relate and must be removed by the candidate or political committee not later than one week thereafter.

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**SUMMARY**

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Current law prohibits the placement of political election signs in a right-of-way more than 6 weeks before the election.

This bill reduces the time limit to 3 weeks before the election.