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In Senate, February 22, 2005

An Act Regarding Independent Campaign Expenditures

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MAYO of Sagadahoc.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1019-B, sub-§3, ¶A,** as enacted by PL 2003,
5 c. 448, §3, is amended to read:

6 A. A report required by this subsection must be filed with
7 the commission according to a reporting schedule that the
8 commission shall establish by rule that takes into
9 consideration existing campaign finance reporting
10 requirements and matching fund provisions under chapter 14
11 except that, in races involving a candidate certified as a
12 Maine Clean Election Act candidate under section 1125,
13 subsection 5, independent expenditures made during the 10
14 days preceding an election must be reported 48 hours in
15 advance of the actual expenditure. Rules adopted pursuant
16 to this paragraph are routine technical rules as defined in
17 Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.
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20 **SUMMARY**

21 This bill requires that independent expenditures made during
22 the 10 days preceding an election in races involving a Maine
23 Clean Election Act candidate be reported to the Commission on
24 Governmental Ethics and Election Practices 48 hours before the
25 expenditure is actually made.
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