

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 247

House of Representatives, January 24, 2019

**An Act To Strengthen Maine's Election Laws by Requiring  
Photographic Identification for the Purpose of Voting**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative CEBRA of Naples.  
Cosponsored by Representative HARRINGTON of Sanford and  
Representatives: GRIGNON of Athens, ORDWAY of Standish.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §671, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 2005, c. 453, §55, is  
3 further amended to read:

4 **1. Name announced.** A voter who wishes to vote must provide proof of identity  
5 with photographic identification documentation approved by the Secretary of State by  
6 rule and state the voter's name and, upon request, residence address to an election clerk,  
7 who shall announce the name in a loud, clear voice.

8 **Sec. 2. Rules.** The Secretary of State shall adopt rules establishing a photographic  
9 identification standard for a voter providing proof of identity to an election clerk. Rules  
10 adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine  
11 Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

12 **SUMMARY**

13 This bill requires that a voter provide proof of identity with photographic  
14 identification approved by the Secretary of State by rule for the purpose of voting.