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H.P. 804

House of Representatives, March 25, 2025

An Act to Create Equity in Maine's Campaign Finance Laws Between Enrolled and Unenrolled Candidates

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor.
Cosponsored by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec and
Representatives: BOYER of Poland, CHAPMAN of Auburn, EDER of Waterboro, FROST of
Belgrade, SUPICA of Bangor.

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

Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1015, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

3-A. Contributions to gubernatorial and legislative candidates; no primary election. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, for the purposes of contribution limits under subsections 1 and 2-B:

A. For a gubernatorial candidate who is not on a ballot in a primary election, the contribution limit in any one election cycle is the same as a gubernatorial candidate who is on the ballot in a primary election; and

B. For a legislative candidate who is not on a ballot in a primary election, the contribution limit in any one election cycle is the same as a legislative candidate who is on the ballot in a primary election.

SUMMARY

This bill applies the same contribution limit in any one election cycle to a gubernatorial or legislative candidate who is not on the ballot in a primary election as a gubernatorial or legislative candidate who is on the ballot in primary election.