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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Totman of Bangor

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT to Limit Expenditures of Candidates for Major Office.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 4, § 37, amended. Section 37 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by inserting before the 1st sentence thereof, the following sentences:

‘The sum total of all expenditures made by or in behalf of a candidate for governor or United States senator shall not exceed \$30,000. The sum total of all expenditures made by or in behalf of a candidate for representative to congress shall not exceed \$10,000.’

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 4, § 37, amended. The last paragraph of section 37 of chapter 4 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Any candidate, person, firm, association, committee, organization or corporation which shall expend any money or incur any liability in excess of \$5, without reporting it as above provided or who subsequent to the filing of such last report ~~either of primary election or political convention~~ expenses, shall expend for any purpose aforesaid more than the amount or amounts set forth in such final ~~pre-election~~ report **or in excess of the limitations set forth in this section**, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000, or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months.’