

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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purchase of local foodstuffs by state institutions and public schools.

Sec. 2. 7 MRSA §214, sub-§3 is enacted to read:

3. Advisory committee. The State Purchasing Agent or his designee shall establish an advisory committee to discuss possibilities and review proposals for expanding purchases of local foodstuffs. At least one representative from the following state agencies shall be invited to serve on this advisory committee: The Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources; the Department of Corrections; the Department of Educational and Cultural Services; the Department of Human Services; the Department of Marine Resources; and the Division of Community Services. Representation from other state agencies, local institutions or from the private sector shall be chosen by the State Purchasing Agent who shall serve as chairman of the advisory committee.

Effective September 19, 1985.

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## CHAPTER 272

H.P. 1094 - L.D. 1587

AN ACT to Provide for a Setup Period  
Prior to Opening of the Polls.

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

21-A MRSA §651, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161, §6, is amended to read:

2. Election materials distributed and posted. At any time after the materials are received and before the polls are open, the clerk may open the packages or boxes of election materials, break the seals on the packages not marked "ballots," and use the materials for instructional purposes. Then the clerk or his designated agents shall post an adequate number of instruction posters, posters of specimen ballots for constitutional resolutions and statewide referenda, including the Attorney General's explanatory statements prepared under Title 1, section 353, materials setting out the full text of constitutional resolutions and statewide referenda, and specimen ballots in the voting room outside the guardrail en-

closure. When the polls are opened, or no more than 1/2 hour before the opening of the polls, the warden shall break the seals on the packages containing the ballots and distribute the ballots to the election clerks in charge of them. The breaking of the seals on the packages containing the ballots is a public proceeding and any member of the public may be present.

Effective September 19, 1985.

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## CHAPTER 273

H.P. 1095 - L.D. 1588

### AN ACT to Clarify and Standardize Enrollment Status on Voting Lists.

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

Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §161, sub-§1, ¶A is enacted to read:

A. Except as provided in subparagraph (1), the registrar shall note the enrollment status of each voter using none other than the following: "D" for Democrat, "R" for Republican and "U" for unenrolled.

(1) The Secretary of State may authorize the use of other symbols to indicate enrollment in other parties formed or forming under chapter 5, subchapter I.

Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §164, first ¶, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161, §6, is amended to read:

The registrar shall record enrollments by adding the party designation of the voter beside the voter's name on the voting list, using the symbols prescribed by section 161, subsection 1, paragraph A.

Sec. 3. Effective date. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1986.

Effective July 1, 1986.

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