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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-NINE

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AN ACT Relating to Delivery of Absentee Ballots.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 21, § 1252, sub-§ 2, amended.** The 2nd sentence of subsection 2 of section 1252 of Title 21 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

It must contain a place for the applicant to designate the reason for requesting an absentee ballot ~~the name of a person to whom his ballot may be delivered~~ and a place for the registrar to certify whether the applicant is registered and the party in which he is or desires to be enrolled.

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 21, § 1253, sub-§ 2, amended.** The first sentence of subsection 2 of section 1253 of Title 21 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

On receipt of a completed application or a request for an absentee ballot signed by the applicant, the clerk shall send ~~or deliver~~ **by first class mail, issue or deliver** an absentee ballot and return envelope forthwith to him ~~or to a 3rd person designated in the application or request~~. **Notwithstanding this subsection, if in a primary election the applicant within 3 days of the election notifies the clerk that he is incapacitated and desires an absentee ballot, the ballot shall be delivered to the applicant by a person of the same political party as the applicant and who shall be designated by the clerk. In a political partisan election the ballot shall be delivered to the applicant by persons representing at least 2 political parties and who shall be designated by the clerk. In all elections that are not politically partisan the ballot shall be delivered to the applicant by a person designated by the clerk.**