

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1368

S. P. 412

In Senate, March 20, 1969

Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent down for concurrence and 1,000 ordered printed.

JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Logan of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-NINE

**AN ACT Prohibiting the Expenditure of Public Funds to Promote
or Oppose Measures to be Voted on at Elections.**

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

R. S., T. 17, § 3105, additional. Title 17 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 3105, to read as follows:

§ 3105. Public funds; for or against measures to be voted on

No official, elected or appointed, or employee of the State or any political subdivision or instrumentality thereof shall expend or use public funds, either directly or indirectly, to promote or oppose a candidate, party, principle or an initiative or referendum question, or to influence the outcome of any election or referendum.

Any person who shall violate this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months, or by both. The fine imposed shall inure to the governmental entity whose funds were so used or expended.