

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 166

H. P. 122

House of Representatives, January 13, 1971

Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

**AN ACT Relating to Vacancies in State and County Offices Before
Officers-elect Die or Resign.**

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

R. S., T. 21, § 1441, amended. The first paragraph of section 1441 of Title 21 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

A vacancy in any state office, county office, in the office of an election official or in any political committee occurs when the incumbent or officer-elect dies, resigns, becomes disqualified or changes his residence to an electoral division other than that from which he was elected; when the person elected fails to qualify; and when the electorate fails to elect a person to office.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The present law provides for filling vacancies in state and county offices whenever the incumbent dies, resigns, etc. The purpose of this bill is to provide for filling vacancies created by officers-elect prior to qualification.