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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 626

H. P. 485 House of Representatives, February 5, 1971 Referred to Committee on Election Laws. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. McCloskey of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Prohibiting Cross-filing by Candidates in Primary Elections.

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

R. S., T. 21, § 445-A, additional. Title 21 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 445-A to read as follows:

§ 445-A. Cross-filing

The name of a candidate shall not be printed upon the official ballot of any political party used at any primary unless the candidate has declared that he is a member of the political party upon the official ballot of which he desires to have his name printed.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to prevent a candidate in the primaries from filing for nomination in more than one political party.