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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1775

H. P. 1339

House of Representatives, April 3, 1973

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

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Carrier of Westbrook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Bylines for Editorials in Maine Newspapers.

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

R. S., T. 17, c. 50, additional. Title 17 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new chapter 50 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 50

NEWSPAPER EDITORIALS

§ 1361. Newspaper editorials

Editorials in all daily newspapers and in all weekly newspapers in this State distributed to the general public and which are published regularly at least 52 times a year shall indicate by a byline the person or persons who have written such editorials.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is that the writer of any public editorial be required to disclose his identity to the general public.