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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
107TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 2281, L.D. 2340, Bill, "AN ACT
Relating to Campaign Reports and Finances."

Amend said Bill in section 2 by striking out all of the
first paragraph of that part designated "§1421." and inserting
in place thereof the following:

'The Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices,
established pursuant to Title 1, section 1002 and hereafter in
this chapter referred to as the "commission," shall make findings
of fact and opinion on the final determination of election results
in elections for county, state or federal offices that are
contested.'

Further amend said Bill in section 3 by striking out all of
paragraphs A, B, C and D of subsection 3 and inserting in place
thereof the following:

'A. Elections for Governor, Legislature, federal office.
In cases involving elections, where the Constitution of this
State or the United States Constitution provides for final
determination of the election of a candidate, the commission
shall transmit to the body vested with final determination
powers a copy of the findings of fact and opinion.

B. County office. In cases involving elections for county
office, the commission shall transmit a copy of the findings

of fact and opinion to the Secretary of State for preparation and delivery to the Governor, and to each candidate, and shall make available to the public its findings of fact and opinion. The Governor shall make the final determination in such cases, subject to the right of appeal provided in section 1212.

C. Other offices. In all other cases involving elections, the commission shall transmit a copy of the findings of fact and opinion to the Secretary of State for preparation and delivery to the Governor, and to each candidate, and shall make available to the public its findings of fact and opinion. The Governor shall make the final determination in such other cases.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of the amendment is to correct an error in the bill relating to the role of the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices in primary elections. The amendment would treat the elections like others depending on the office involved.

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