

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 811

H. P. 618

House of Representatives, March 8, 1977

On motion of Mrs. Boudreau of Portland, referred to the Committee on Election Laws. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Jacques of Lewiston.

Cosponsors: Mr. Carey of Waterville, Mr. Truman of Biddeford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

**AN ACT to Require that Absentee Ballots be Counted so that they may be
Seen by Those Viewing the Count.**

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

21 MRSA § 924, sub-§ 1 is amended to read:

1. **Counted in public.** The ballots ~~must~~ shall be counted publicly and in a manner so that those present may observe the proceedings and may clearly view the ballots being counted.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require that ballots be counted so that those watching have a clear view of the ballots.