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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 952

H. P. 747 House of Representatives, March 10, 1977
On motion of Mrs. Boudreau of Portland, referred to Committee on Election
Laws. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presenter by Mr. Hughes of Auburn.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Provide that Voter Registration Forms Include a Warning Concerning Knowingly Supplying False Information.

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

Sec. 1. 21 MRSA § 102, 1st ¶, is amended by adding at the end the following sentence:

The application form shall include, directly above the signature line, the following conspicuous notice to the applicant: "I understand that knowingly supplying false information to a public servant is a Class D offense, punishable by confinement or monetary fine, or by both.

Sec. 2. 21 MRSA § 102-A, sub-§ 1, first ¶, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 761, § 9, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

In addition to the procedure provided by section 102, a person may register to vote by completing an application which shall be designed by the Secretary of State. The application form shall include, directly above the signature line, the following conspicuous notice to the applicant: "I understand that knowingly supplying false information to a public servant is a Class D offense, punishable by confinement or a monetary fine, or by both. The application shall contain the following information.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require that application forms for voter registration include a warning to the applicant that furnishing false information in the application may result in imprisonment of the applicant or the imposition of a fine.