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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1057

H. P. 863

House of Representatives, March 16, 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

Presented by Mr. Laffin of Westbrook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Require Nomination Petitions for State and County Officials to be Approved by the Board of Registration.

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

21 MRSA § 492, sub-§ 9-A is enacted to read:

9-A. Signature authenticity. A nomination petition shall be submitted to the registrar of each municipality concerned before being filed. The registrar shall review the signatures thereon purporting to be those of voters of that municipality and shall determine, as nearly as practicable, the authenticity of those signatures. The registrar shall then certify forthwith on the petition which signatures on it are those of voters of that municipality.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would provide that municipal registrars check the authenticity of signatures on nominating petitions.