

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, June 7, 1977

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT to Establish Withdrawal Dates for Candidates and Nominees.**

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

21 MRSA § 1476 is enacted to read:

§ 1476. **Withdrawal of candidates or nominees**

1. **Federal or gubernatorial office.** If a candidate or nominee for a federal or gubernatorial office withdraws after 40 days prior to any election, the Secretary of State shall not be required to produce new ballots.
2. **State Senator or county office.** If a candidate or nominee for State Senator or county office withdraws after 20 days prior to any election, the Secretary of State shall not be required to produce new ballots.
3. **Representative to Legislature.** If a candidate or nominee for Representative to the Legislature withdraws after 10 days prior to any election, the Secretary of State shall not be required to produce new ballots.
4. **Last day for withdrawal.** Immediately after the last day for withdrawal, the Secretary of State shall list all names to be placed on the ballot for any election.

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

Title 21, section 1476, subsections 1 through 3, of this new drafts set up time constraints after which the Secretary of State is not required to produce new ballots.

Title 21, section 1476, subsection 4, states that the Secretary of State shall list all names to be placed on the ballot for any election after the last day for withdrawal.