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Office of the Secretary of the Senate, January 9, 1979.

Presented by Senator Hichens of York.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Enable Voters who Cannot Read or Mark Their Ballots or Whose Religious Beliefs Prevent Them From Marking Their Ballots to Obtain Assistance in Marking Their Ballots From Individuals of Their Choice.

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

21 MRSA § 862, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 761, § 35, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§ 862. Assistance

A voter who is unable to read or mark his ballot because of blindness or other physical disability or because of illiteracy or whose religious faith prevents him from marking the ballot may obtain assistance in marking the ballot from any individual of legal voting age of the voter's choice.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to permit individuals who cannot, because of disability or religious belief, mark their own ballots to obtain assistance in marking the ballots from any individuals of their choice.