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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 109TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

(Filing No. H-539)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 661, L.D. 821, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide Notification to Candidates of the Requirement to File a Campaign Report and to Provide the Necessary Forms."

Amend the bill in section 1 by striking out in the last line the following underlined words "sufficient time to permit the candidate to file" and inserting in its place the following underlined words 'at least 7 days prior to the filing date for'

Further amend the bill in section 2 by striking out everything after the amending clause and inserting in its place the following:

'If the reason for the late filing is that the forms sent to the candidate by the commission were not postmarked at least 7 days prior to the filing date, the period for filing shall be increased by the deficiency without penalty.'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of the last sentence before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'If the forms sent to the candidate by the commission were not postmarked at least 7 days prior to the filing date, the period for filing shall be increased by the deficiency without penalty.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment requires that forms for candidates to file campaign contributions shall be mailed to the candidates at least 7 days prior to their due date. In addition, it increases the number of filing days without penalty.

Reported by the Minority of the Committee on Election Laws Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.

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