

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 566

S. P. 198

In Senate, February 2, 1981

Referred to the Committee on Election Laws. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Emerson of Penobscot.

Cosponsor: Representative Drinkwater of Belfast.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

**AN ACT to Forbid Payments for Signing or Distributing State Referendum
Petitions or Absentee Ballots.**

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

21 MRSA § 1579, sub-§ 31 is enacted to read:

31. Payments. A person who promises, offers or gives any pecuniary benefit to anyone for distributing or signing an absentee ballot under chapter 29 or for distributing or signing a referendum petition under chapter 33.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill makes it a Class E crime to make payments to anyone for distributing or signing an absentee ballot or a state referendum petition.