

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1038

H. P. 869

House of Representatives, February 26, 1981

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Weymouth of West Gardiner.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Preventing Candidates in Primary or General Elections, or Members of their Immediate Families, who are Justices of the Peace or Notaries Public, from Registering Voters or Witnessing Absentee Ballots.

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

21 MRSA § 1579, sub-§ 16 is enacted to read:

16. Candidates registering or witnessing. A candidate in a primary or general election, or a member of his immediate family, who, in his capacity as a justice of the peace or notary public, registers a voter or witnesses an absentee vote.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill makes it a Class E crime for a candidate in a primary or general election, or a member of his immediate family, who is also a justice of the peace or notary public, to register a voter or witness an absentee vote.