

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 366

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7 H.P. 307

House of Representatives, February 1, 1983

8 On Motion of Representative Nadeau of Lewiston referred to the Com-
9 mittee on Election Laws. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Tuttle of Sanford.

Cosponsors: Senator Hayes of Penobscot, Representative Matthews of
Winslow and Representative Michaud of East Millinocket.

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12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT to Amend the Law Governing
18 Campaign Reports in Municipal Elections.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 30 MRSA §5356, sub-§1 is repealed.

23 STATEMENT OF FACT

24 Title 30, section 5356, subsection 1 provides a
25 penalty of \$5 for every day, or imprisonment of 30
26 days or both, a candidate for municipal office is
27 late in filing a campaign report with the Secretary
28 of State.

29 The first paragraph of section 5356 provides that
30 candidates for municipal office are "governed" by the
31 provisions of the Revised Statutes, Title 21, chapter

1 35, campaign reports and finances' laws, which con-
2 tains its own penalty provisions for violating that
3 chapter. The penalty provision presently found in
4 section 5356, subsection 1, thus creates a conflict
5 as to which penalty should apply. By repealing
6 section 5356, subsection 1, it will be clear that
7 municipal candidates covered by section 5356 are sub-
8 ject to the penalty provisions of the campaign
9 reports and finances laws.

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