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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
112TH LEGISLATURE
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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1284, L.D. 1801, Bill, "AN ACT to Clarify and Make Corrections in the Election Laws."

Amend the amendment on page 4 by inserting after the first paragraph the following:

'Sec. 20. 21-A MRSA §1052, sub-§5, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161, §6, is amended to read:

A. Includes:

(1) Any separate or segregated fund established by any corporation, membership organization, cooperative or labor organization whose purpose is to influence the outcome of an election including a candidate or question; and

(2) Any person which serves as a funding and transfer mechanism and by which moneys are expended to advance, promote, defeat, influence in any way or initiate a candidate, campaign, political party, referendum or initiated petition in this State; and

(3) Any person who in any election makes expenditures aggregating more than \$50 to advance, promote, defeat, influence in any way or initiate a candidate, campaign, political party, referendum or initiated petition in this State; and

Further amend the amendment on page 4 in the 2nd paragraph in the first line (line 3 in the amendment) by striking out the following: "Sec. 20." and inserting in its place the following: 'Sec. 21.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

2 This amendment changes the definition of "politi-
3 cal action committee" to include persons who expend
4 more than \$50 in an election. This will not limit an
5 individual's contributions or expenditures, but will
6 require him to report as a political action committee
7 does if he expends in excess of \$50 in an election.
8 The original bill deletes the subchapter on referen-
9 dum campaign financing and this amendment attempts to
10 close any loopholes left by that deletion.

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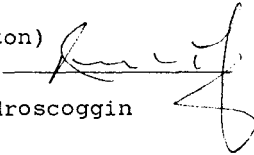
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