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H.P. 1300 Reported by the Minority from the Committee on Legal Affairs and printed under Joint Rule 2.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk Original bill sponsored by Representative HANDY of Lewiston. Cosponsored by Representative CARROLL of Gray, Senators ESTES of York and MATTHEWS of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Concerning Contributions by Political Action Committees.

4 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as 5 follows:

Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1017, sub-§2, ¶I is enacted to read:

I. Reports shall be filed within 48 hours of the candidate's receipt of a contribution exceeding \$250 from a political action committee, as defined in subchapter IV. The report shall list the name of the political action committee and the amount of the contribution.

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1 Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA \$1017, sub-\$3, %E is enacted 2 to read:

3	E. Reports shall be filed within 48 hours of the
4	candidate's receipt of a contribution exceeding
5	\$250 from a political action committee, as de-
6	 fined in subchapter IV. The report shall list
7	the name of the political action committee and
- 8	 the amount of the contribution.

STATEMENT OF FACT

10 This new draft requires candidates who receive a 11 contribution from a political action committee which 12 exceeds \$250 to report that contribution within 48 13 hours of receiving it. This allows the public to 14 more accurately monitor the financial assistance of 15 political action committees and to determine what ef-16 fect that assistance has on the candidate's position 17 on the issues.

Section 1 applies to gubernatorial candidates and section 2 applies to all state and county candidates covered by the reporting requirements. This new draft does not apply to candidates for the United States Senate and House of Representatives.

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