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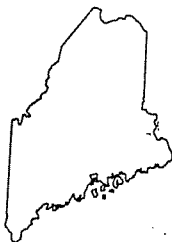
JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HOLLOWAY of Lincoln.
Cosponsored by Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act Regarding Voter Registration.



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

4 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §121, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161,**
is amended to read:

6 **1. Oath may be required.** In making this determination, the
8 registrar may require any person who testifies before him the
registrar concerning his the qualifications ~~or those~~ of another
to swear to the truth of his the statements.

10 **Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §121, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:**

12 **1-A. Oath for voter registration.** The registrar shall
14 require any person who applies for registration as a voter to
make the following oath:

16 I certify that I will be at least 18 years of age on
18 election day and am a citizen of the United States, that I reside
at the address shown and that I am not under guardianship because
20 of mental illness. I understand that giving false information to
procure a registration is a Class E crime punishable by not more
22 than 6 months imprisonment and a fine of not more than \$500 or
both. I understand that knowingly registering within the State
24 or in another state without revealing a prior registration or
voting more than once in the same election is a Class D crime
26 punishable by not less than one year imprisonment and a fine of
not more than \$1,000 or both.

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30 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

32 This bill requires persons who wish to register to vote to
34 swear that they are eligible to vote and are aware that if they
provide false information, register without revealing a prior
36 registration or vote more than once in the same election they are
committing a crime.