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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative RICHARDSON of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro and Representative PENDLETON of Scarborough.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Prohibit Corporations from Contributing to Political Campaigns.

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

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4 **Sec. 1.** 21-A MRSA §1015, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1985, c.
161, §6, is amended to read:

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8 **2. Committees; corporations; associations.** No political
10 committee, other committee, corporation formed under Title 13-B
12 or authorized to do business under Title 13-B, chapter 12 or
14 association may make contributions to a candidate, in support of
16 the candidacy of one person, aggregating more than \$5,000 in any
18 election.

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14 **Sec. 2.** 21-A MRSA §1015, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

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16 **7. Business corporations.** A corporation formed under Title
18 13-A or authorized to do business under Title 13-A, chapter 12
20 may not make contributions to a candidate or to influence the
22 outcome of a ballot question.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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26 This bill prohibits for-profit corporations from making
 contributions to a candidate or to influence the outcome of a
 ballot question.