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House of Representatives, March 9, 1993

**An Act to Ensure Integrity in Maine Government by Prohibiting
Involvement of Constitutional Officers and the State Auditor in Political
Action Committees.**

Reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative MARSH of West Gardiner.

Cosponsored by Representative CASHMAN of Old Town, Senator BUTLAND of Cumberland and

Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, AHEARNE of Madawaska, ANDERSON of Woodland, BARTH of Bethel, BENNETT of Norway, BRENNAN of Portland, BRUNO of Raymond, CAMERON of Rumford, CARLETON of Wells, CARROLL of Gray, CATHCART of Orono, CHASE of China, CLUKEY of Houlton, COFFMAN of Old Town, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DEXTER of Kingfield, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, FARNUM of South Berwick, FARREN of Cherryfield, FITZPATRICK of Durham, FOSS of Yarmouth, GREENLAW of Standish, HEINO of Boothbay, HILLOCK of Gorham, JOY of Island Falls, KNEELAND of Easton, KONTOS of Windham, LEMKE of Westbrook, LEMONT of Kittery, LIBBY of Buxton, LINDAHL of Northport, LOOK of Jonesboro, LORD of Waterboro, MacBRIDE of Presque Isle, MARSHALL of Eliot, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MICHAEL of Auburn, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MURPHY of Berwick, NORTON of Winthrop, OTT of York, PENDEXTER of Scarborough, PLOWMAN of Hampden, QUINT of Paris, REED of Falmouth, RICHARDSON of Portland, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SIMONDS of

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Cape Elizabeth, SPEAR of Nobleboro, ST. ONGE of Greene, STEVENS of Sabattus, TAYLOR of Cumberland, THOMPSON of Lincoln, TOWNSEND of Portland, TRUE of Fryeburg, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, YOUNG of Limestone, ZIRNKILTON of Mount Desert, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, CAHILL of Sagadahoc, CARPENTER of York, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, CONLEY of Cumberland, FOSTER of Hancock, HANLEY of Oxford, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, KIEFFER of Aroostook, LUDWIG of Aroostook, SUMMERS of Cumberland, TITCOMB of Cumberland, VOSE of Washington, WEBSTER of Franklin.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1053, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 1989, c.
504, §§25 and 31, is further amended to read:

6 **1. Identification of committee.** The names and mailing
7 addresses of the committee, its treasurer, its principal officers
8 and the identity of any candidate ~~for any constitutional office~~
9 ~~or~~ who is registered under section 1013-A and who is involved in
10 decision making for a political action committee organized to
advance the election of that candidate;

12 **Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §1063** is enacted to read:

14 **§1063. Constitutional officers and State Auditor**

16 The Secretary of State, the Treasurer of State, the Attorney
17 General, the State Auditor, or any candidate for those offices,
18 may not form a political action committee or be involved in
19 decision making for or solicit contributions to a political
20 action committee.

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24 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

26 This bill prohibits the Secretary of State, the Treasurer of
27 State, the Attorney General, the State Auditor, or any candidate
28 for those offices, from forming political action committees, or
PACs, and from being involved in decision making for a PAC or
30 soliciting contributions to a PAC.