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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
116TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1149, L.D. 1549, Bill, "An Act to Set Voluntary Limits for Campaign Spending"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 4 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 4. Commission to implement within existing resources. The Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices shall implement this Act within existing budgeted resources.'

Further amend the bill by striking the fiscal note and inserting in its place the following:

FISCAL NOTE

This bill establishes a new program dealing with voluntary limits on campaign spending for certain statewide and countywide elections and requires the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices to implement this program within its existing budgeted resources. The commission can not implement the requirements of this bill without additional General Fund appropriations of \$126,618 and \$87,693 in fiscal years 1993-94 and 1994-95, respectively, to provide funds for a Clerk Typist II, a Data Entry Specialist, a Research and Planning Assistant I, general operating expenses and capital equipment needs to develop a computerized campaign spending tracking system.

This bill requires candidates who participate in voluntary limits and who exceed the amount set by law to pay the full amount that exceeds the limit to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices. The amounts of additional dedicated revenues generated by this provision can not be determined at this time.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment eliminates the General Fund appropriation and requires that the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices implement the program within existing budgeted resources.

This amendment also adds a fiscal note.

(Senator CAHILL)
SPONSORED BY: [Signature]

COUNTY: Sagadahoc

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