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H.P. 1417

House of Representatives, February 24, 1994

An Act to Promote Integrity in the Citizens Petition Process.

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.
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 KILKELLY of Wiscasset.
Cosponsored by Representative ADAMS of Portland, Senator HANDY of Androscoggin and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, ANDERSON of Woodland, AULT of Wayne, CARROLL of Gray, CATHCART of Orono, CHONKO of Topsham, CLOUTIER of South Portland, COFFMAN of Old Town, CONSTANTINE of Bar Harbor, DAGGETT of Augusta, DEXTER of Kingfield, DORE of Auburn, DRISCOLL of Calais, DUTREMBLE of Biddeford, ERWIN of Rumford, FAIRCLOTH of Bangor, FARNSWORTH of Hallowell, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GOULD of Greenville, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HOGLUND of Portland, HOLT of Bath, HUSSEY of Milo, JACQUES of Waterville, JALBERT of Lisbon, JOSEPH of Waterville, JOY of Island Falls, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, KNEELAND of Easton, KONTOS of Windham, LARRIVÉE of Gorham, LEMKE of Westbrook, LIBBY of Buxton, LINDAHL of Northport, LOOK of Jonesboro, LORD of Waterboro, MacBRIDE of Presque Isle, MARSH of West Gardiner, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MELENDY of Rockland, MICHAUD of East Millinocket, MORRISON of Bangor, MURPHY of Berwick, O'GARA of Westbrook, PARADIS of Augusta, PENDLETON of Scarborough, PFEIFFER of Brunswick, PLOURDE of

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Biddeford, PLOWMAN of Hampden, POULIN of Oakland, RAND of Portland, REED of Falmouth, REED of Dexter, ROTONDI of Athens, ROWE of Portland, SAXL of Bangor, SKOGLUND of St. George, SMALL of Bath, SPEAR of Nobleboro, STEVENS of Sabattus, TOWNSEND of Portland, TOWNSEND of Canaan, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, WALKER of Blue Hill, Senators: BEGLEY of Lincoln, BERUBE of Androscoggin, CARPENTER of York, DUTREMBLE of York, ESTY of Cumberland, GOULD of Waldo, LUDWIG of Aroostook, PARADIS of Aroostook.

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

4 Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §904-A is enacted to read:

6 §904-A. Payment for signature; prohibition

8 A circulator of an initiative or a referendum petition or a
10 person who causes the circulation of an initiative or referendum
12 petition may not receive payment for the collection of signatures
14 if that payment is based on the number of signatures collected.
Nothing in this section prohibits a circulator of an initiative
or a referendum petition or a person who causes the circulation
of an initiative or referendum petition from being paid a salary
that is not based on the number of signatures collected.

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18 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

20 This bill prohibits paying circulators of initiative and
22 referendum petitions based on the number of signatures collected.

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26 This document has not yet been reviewed to determine the
28 need for cross-reference, stylistic and other technical
amendments to conform existing law to current drafting standards.