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No. 62

S.P. 32

In Senate, January 17, 1995

An Act to Prohibit Voter Registration on Election Day.

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "May M. Ross".

MAY M. ROSS
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HANLEY of Oxford.
Cosponsored by Senators: BENOIT of Franklin, HALL of Piscataquis, PENDEXTER of
Cumberland, Representatives: BIRNEY of Paris, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, WATERHOUSE
of Bridgton, WINSOR of Norway.

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

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Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §122, sub-§4, as amended by PL 1993, c. 695,
4 §7, is repealed.

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Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §122, sub-§4-A is enacted to read:

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4-A. Prohibited one week before election. The registrar
may not register an applicant as a voter unless the application
10 is received by the registrar not later than 7 calendar days
before election day.

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Sec. 3. 21-A MRSA §122, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 307,
14 §1, is amended to read:

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5. Alternative registration schedule for absentee voters.
The registrar shall accept registrations under section 152 ~~at any
18 time,--including--election--day~~ not later than 7 calendar days
before election day, provided that the applicant otherwise
20 qualifies as an absentee voter. The receipt of a completed
absentee ballot application by the clerk establishes a
22 presumption of qualification under this subsection.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill eliminates the provision that allows voters to
28 register on election day and allows the registrar to register
voters not later than one week before election day.