

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 73

S.P. 43

In Senate, January 17, 1995

**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 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: AMERO of Cumberland, BENOIT of Franklin, CARPENTER of York, FERGUSON of Oxford, HALL of Piscataquis, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, Representatives: BARTH of Bethel, BIRNEY of Paris, HARTNETT of Freeport, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton.

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
11 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
29 PACs, and from being involved in decision making for a PAC or
30 soliciting contributions to a PAC.