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H.P. 143

House of Representatives, January 20, 1995

An Act to Limit Campaign Contributions in Legislative Races.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative LIBBY of Buxton.
Cosponsored by Representative: NASS of Acton.

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

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4 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1015, sub-§7** is enacted to read:

6 7. Time limitations; reporting. No individual, political
8 committee, other committee, corporation or association may make
10 any contribution to a candidate for the Legislature later than
12 the 12th day before the date on which an election is held. A
14 contribution made on the 12th day prior to the election must be
16 included in the report by the treasurer of a candidate for the
18 Legislature as required under section 1017, subsection 3-A,
20 paragraph B. This subsection does not apply to postelection
22 contributions.

24 **Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §1056, sub-§3** is enacted to read:

26 3. Time limitations; reporting. No committee may make any
28 contribution to a candidate for the Legislature later than the
30 12th day before the date on which an election is held. A
32 contribution made on the 12th day prior to the election must be
34 included in the report by the treasurer of a candidate for the
36 Legislature as required under section 1017, subsection 3-A,
 paragraph B. This subsection does not apply to postelection
 contributions.

STATEMENT OF FACT

30 Under current elections law, the treasurer of a candidate
32 for state Legislature is required to file a financial report at
34 least 6 days prior to the election; the report must be completed
36 12 days prior to the election. This bill prohibits any financial
 contributions to a candidate, except by the candidate or the
 candidate's spouse, later than 12 days before the election.