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No. 794

H.P. 584

House of Representatives, March 14, 1995

An Act to Limit the Size and Display Period of Campaign Signs.

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 HATCH of Skowhegan.

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

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Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §1913-A, sub-§1, ¶H, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 318, §3, is amended to read:

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H. Signs bearing political messages relating to an election, primary or referendum, provided that these signs may not be placed within the right-of-way prior to ~~6-weeks~~ 14 calendar days before the election, primary or referendum to which they relate and must be removed by the candidate or political committee not later than ~~one--week~~ 5 days thereafter. If a candidate's signs are not removed within the 5-day period, the local municipality or town may remove and dispose of the signs and charge the candidate for the removal and disposal costs. The signs may not be larger than 16 square feet.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill decreases the time that signs bearing political messages may be displayed on a public right-of-way and establishes a maximum sign size. It also authorizes a municipality or town to remove and dispose of uncollected signs and to bill the candidate for the associated costs.