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House of Representatives, April 21, 1995

An Act to Promote Equity in Legal Advertising.

Received by the Clerk of the House on April 19, 1995. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 14.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative CHASE of China.

Cosponsored by Representatives: AULT of Wayne, DAMREN of Belgrade, DEXTER of Kingfield, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HATCH of Skowhegan, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, McALEVEY of Waterboro, McELROY of Unity, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, Senators: BEGLEY of Lincoln, BUSTIN of Kennebec, CAREY of Kennebec, MILLS of Somerset.

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

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4 **Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §601**, as repealed and replaced by PL 1987, c.
667, §1, is amended to read:

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6 **§601. Publication of legal notices and advertising**

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10 To be qualified as a medium for the publication of legal
12 notices, legal advertising and other matter required by law to be
14 published in a newspaper, a newspaper, unless otherwise ordered
16 by the court in the proceedings, must be published and printed in
18 whole or in part in this State; must be printed in the English
language; ~~must be entered as 2nd class postal matter in the~~
~~United States mails at a post office in this State~~ and must have
general circulation in the vicinity where the notice is required
to be published. Any legal notice, legal advertising or other
matter required by law to be published in a newspaper shall must
appear in all editions of that newspaper.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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24 This bills amends the requirements for newspapers carrying
26 legal notices and legal advertisements to remove the requirement
that the newspaper be entered as 2nd class postal matter. The
other requirements are retained.