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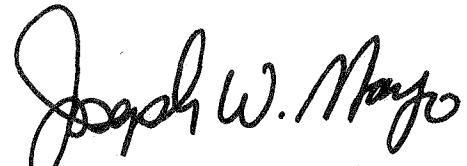
No. 1306

H.P. 943

House of Representatives, March 4, 1997

An Act to Place Certain Restrictions on Persons Collecting Signatures on Election Day.

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


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative TRIPP of Topsham.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §683** is enacted to read:

6 **§683. Petitioners**

8 Within 250 feet of the entrance to a voting place or a
10 register's office, the town clerk may restrict the circulation of
12 an initiative or a referendum on election day by restricting the
14 number and location of the petitioners and by providing
16 guidelines for conduct of the petitioners.

18 Any restrictions placed on petitioners must have been
20 published at least 30 days in advance of the election.

SUMMARY

This bill authorizes town clerks to publish guidelines as to location, conduct and number of petitioners circulating petitions on election day.