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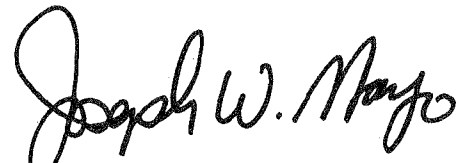
House of Representatives, April 2, 1998

**An Act Concerning Legislative Review of Rules Adopted under the
Maine Clean Election Act.**

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BELANGER of Wallagrass, CAMPBELL of Holden,
CHIZMAR of Lisbon, KONTOS of Windham, LABRECQUE of Gorham, MITCHELL of
Vassalboro, SAXL of Portland, TRUE of Fryeburg.

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

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Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1126, as enacted by IB 1995, c. 1, §17, is amended to read:

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§1126. Commission to adopt rules

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The commission shall adopt rules to ensure effective administration of this chapter. These rules must include but must not be limited to procedures for obtaining qualifying contributions, certification as a Maine Clean Election Act candidate, circumstances involving special elections, vacancies, recounts, withdrawals or replacements, collection of revenues for the fund, distribution of fund revenue to certified candidates, return of unspent fund disbursements and compliance with the Maine Clean Election Act. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

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SUMMARY

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This bill designates the rules to be adopted by the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices under the Maine Clean Election Act to be major substantive rules, requiring legislative review prior to final adoption.