

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 180

S.P. 77

In Senate, January 11, 1999

An Act to Improve Access to Electronic Filing for Businesses.

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator AMERO of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth and
Senators: KONTOS of Cumberland, MacKINNON of York, Representatives: AHEARNE of
Madawaska, SHOREY of Calais, TRIPP of Topsham.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §54** is enacted to read:

6 **§54. Electronic filing; facsimile signatures**

8 By the year 2001, every state agency, department, board,
10 commission, institution, authority or public instrumentality that
12 requires filing of information from businesses shall have
14 available, in coordination with the Informations Services Policy
16 Board, the technologies that permit the filing of that
18 information by electronic transmission and permit facsimile
20 signatures on filed documents.

16 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill requires, within 2 years' time, that all state
20 agencies have available technology that permits the filing of
documents by electronic transmission.