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No. 215

H.P. 153

House of Representatives, January 11, 1999

**An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Acceptance of Campaign
Contributions during Legislative Sessions.**

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

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco.
Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin and
Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, BUMPS of China, DAVIDSON of Brunswick,
MAYO of Bath, THOMPSON of Naples, TUTTLE of Sanford, Senator: LONGLEY of Waldo.

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

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Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §1015, sub-§3, ¶C, as enacted by PL 1997, c.
4 529, §1, is amended to read:

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C. This subsection does not apply to:

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(1) Solicitations or contributions for bona fide
social events hosted for nonpartisan, charitable
10 purposes;

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(2) Solicitations or contributions relating to a
special election to fill a vacancy from the time of
14 announcement of the election until the election; and

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(3) Solicitations or contributions after the deadline
for filing as a candidate as provided in Title 21-A,
18 section 335 if the candidate has an opponent in the
primary election.

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SUMMARY

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This bill provides that the exception for solicitations or
contributions after the filing deadline to the prohibition
26 against the solicitation or acceptance of contributions by a
candidate while the Legislature is in session applies only if the
28 candidate has an opponent in the primary election.