

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 16, 1999

**An Act to Explain the Check-off Box on Maine Tax Returns for
Campaign Financing.**

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative LEMONT of Kittery.
Cosponsored by Representatives: ANDREWS of York, BRUNO of Raymond, CAMERON of
Rumford, GERRY of Auburn, GLYNN of South Portland, RINES of Wiscasset,
WATERHOUSE of Bridgton.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §5286, sub-§2,** as enacted by IB 1995, c. 1,
§18, is amended to read:

6 **2. Forms.** The State Tax Assessor shall provide on the
8 first page of the income tax form a space for the filing
individual to indicate whether that filer wishes to pay \$3, or \$6
10 if filing a joint return, from the General Fund of the State to
finance the Maine Clean Election Fund. The tax form must
12 contain, in summary form, an explanation of the purpose and uses
of taxpayer election fund contributions.

14 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill requires that state tax forms contain an
18 explanation of the Maine Clean Election Fund and the uses of
taxpayer contributions by that fund.