

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1999

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Legislative Document

No. 2032

S.P. 710

In Senate, March 24, 1999

### An Act to Clarify Maine's Campaign Finance Laws.

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Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs 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 BENNETT of Oxford.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1015, sub-§10 is enacted to read:**

6 10. Contributions by gubernatorial candidate. If a  
8 candidate for Governor or the spouse of a candidate for Governor  
10 loans or contributes an aggregate of at least \$25,000 to the  
12 candidate's gubernatorial campaign, an opponent of the candidate  
14 is not subject to the limitations on contributions required by  
16 this section.

#### 14 SUMMARY

16 This bill exempts a candidate for Governor from the  
18 limitations on contributions if an opponent or spouse of an  
opponent lends or contributes an aggregate of at least \$25,000 to  
the opponent's gubernatorial campaign.