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House of Representatives, February 8, 2001

An Act to Amend the Clean Election Laws.

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

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative TESSIER of Fairfield.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1125, sub-§7, ¶C**, as enacted by IB 1995, c.
1, §17, is amended to read:

6 C. Within 3 days after the primary election, ~~for general~~
7 ~~election-certified-candidates,~~ revenues from the fund must
8 be distributed ~~according-to-whether-the-candidate-is-in-a~~
9 ~~contested~~ to general election certified candidates. Funds
10 ~~may-not-be-distributed-for-uncontested-general-elections.~~

12 **Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §1125, sub-§8, ¶D**, as enacted by IB 1995, c.
13 1, §17, is amended to read:

14 D. ~~Revenues-may-not-be-distributed-for~~ For uncontested
15 general elections, the amount of revenue to be distributed
16 to a certified candidate for the State House of
17 Representatives and a certified candidate for the State
18 Senate is \$1,500 and \$5,000, respectively.

20 **Sec. 3. 21-A MRSA §1125, sub-§8, ¶E** is enacted to read:

22 E. Revenues may not be distributed to a gubernatorial
23 candidate in an uncontested general election.

26 **SUMMARY**

28 This bill amends the Maine Clean Election Act by funding
29 some certified candidates in uncontested general elections.
30 Under this bill, in an uncontested general election a certified
31 candidate for the State House of Representatives will receive
32 \$1,500 and a certified State Senate candidate will receive \$5,000.