

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 456

House of Representatives, February 8, 2005

### **An Act To Ensure Participation by Voters with Disabilities in the Electoral Process**

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

*Millicent M. MacFarland*  
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative LERMAN of Augusta.  
Cosponsored by Senator GAGNON of Kennebec and  
Representative: PATRICK of Rumford, Senators: MITCHELL of Kennebec, PLOWMAN of Penobscot.

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

4 **CONCEPT DRAFT**  
6 **SUMMARY**

8 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

10 This bill would allow for alternative methods of signing  
12 petitions, voter registration cards and marking ballots by voters  
14 with disabilities who face manual dexterity or other challenges.  
Ideas for alternative means of signing important election-related  
documents include use of stamps, witness verification and  
surrogate signatures.