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An Act Requiring That Contributions for a Clean Election Candidate Be from the Candidate's Political Party

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

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Presented by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford. Cosponsored by Senator PLOWMAN of Penobscot and Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, CLARK of Millinocket, COLLINS of Wells, CUMMINGS of Portland, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, FISHER of Brewer, HOTHAM of Dixfield, PATRICK of Rumford.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: 2 Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1125, sub-§3, ¶¶A to C, as enacted by IB 1995, c. 1, $\S17$, are amended to read: 4 6 A. For a gubernatorial candidate, at least 2,500 verified registered voters of this State from the same political 8 party as the candidate must support the candidacy by providing a gualifying contribution to that candidate; 10 в. For a candidate for the State Senate, at least 150 verified registered voters from the candidate's electoral 12 division and from the same political party as the candidate must support the candidacy by providing a qualifying 14contribution to that candidate; or 16 C. For a candidate for the State House of Representatives, 18 at least 50 verified registered voters from the candidate's electoral division and from the same political party as the candidate must support the candidacy by providing a 20 qualifying contribution to that candidate. 22 **SUMMARY** 24 26 This bill requires that the contributions required for Maine Clean Election Act candidates be from voters from the same political party as the candidate. 28