

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2005

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Legislative Document

No. 946

S.P. 321

In Senate, February 22, 2005

### **An Act To Prohibit Petition Blockers from Polling Places**

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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 MAYO of Sagadahoc.

Cosponsored by Senator: GAGNON of Kennebec, Representatives: PATRICK of Rumford,  
PINKHAM of Lexington Township.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §682, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:**

6 **3-A. Interference with petition signature gathering prohibited.** A person may not attempt to:

8 A. Persuade someone to refuse to sign a petition for which signatures are being solicited at the voting place; or

10 B. Prevent someone's access to a petition for which signatures are being solicited at the voting place.

14 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill prohibits a person from attempting to persuade  
18 someone to refuse to sign and from attempting to block access to  
20 a petition for which signatures are being solicited at the voting place.