

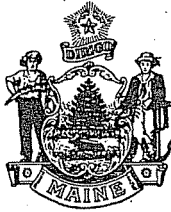
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In Senate, March 25, 2009

An Act To Allow Noncitizen Residents To Vote in Municipal Elections

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 ALFOND of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Representative BOLDUC of Auburn and
Senators: BRANNIGAN of Cumberland, JACKSON of Aroostook, Representatives: BECK of
Waterville, BUTTERFIELD of Bangor, GOODE of Bangor, HARLOW of Portland, HINCK
of Portland, RUSSELL of Portland, SUTHERLAND of Chapman, TRINWARD of Waterville,
WAGNER of Lewiston.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §111**, as amended by PL 2005, c. 387, §1, is further amended
3 by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

4 Notwithstanding subsection 1, a municipality may provide by ordinance for a person
5 residing within its borders who is not a citizen of the United States to vote in a municipal
6 election. The municipality shall maintain separate records of noncitizen residents who are
7 registered to vote.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill authorizes municipalities to allow noncitizen residents to vote in municipal
10 elections.