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House of Representatives, March 30, 2009

An Act To Prohibit Maine Clean Election Act Candidates from Raising Private Campaign Funds

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative GILES of Belfast.
Cosponsored by Senator SMITH of Piscataquis and
Representatives: BEAULIEU of Auburn, CLEARY of Houlton, DILL of Cape Elizabeth,
HAYES of Buckfield, TILTON of Harrington, VALENTINO of Saco, WEAVER of York,
Senator: McCORMICK of Kennebec.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1125, sub-§2-B** is enacted to read:

3 **2-B. Establishment of political action committee prohibited.** A participating
4 candidate may not solicit contributions from or accept money for the establishment of a
5 political action committee, as defined in section 1052, subsection 5, to influence the
6 election or defeat of legislative candidates or to support that candidate's effort to be
7 elected to a legislative leadership position or otherwise participate in a political action
8 committee.

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill prohibits Maine Clean Election Act candidates from establishing or
11 participating in political action committees to influence the election or defeat of
12 legislative candidates or to support that candidate's effort to be elected to a legislative
13 leadership position.