

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 1249

H.P. 868

House of Representatives, March 30, 2009

### An Act To Raise the Campaign Contribution Limit

(AFTER DEADLINE)

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

*Millicent M. MacFarland*  
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative HARVELL of Farmington.

Cosponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset and

Representatives: CLARK of Easton, COTTA of China, CURTIS of Madison, FOSSEL of Alna, LEWIN of Eliot, TARDY of Newport, WEAVER of York, Senator: COURTNEY of York.

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

**Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1015, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 2007, c. 443, Pt. A, §10, is further amended to read:

**1. Individuals.** An individual may not make contributions to a candidate in support of the candidacy of one person aggregating more than ~~\$500~~ \$1,000 in any election for a gubernatorial candidate or ~~more than \$250~~ in any election for any other candidate. This limitation does not apply to contributions in support of a candidate by that candidate or that candidate's spouse or domestic partner.

**Sec. 2. 21-A MRSA §1015, sub-§2**, as amended by PL 2007, c. 443, Pt. A, §11, is further amended to read:

**2. Committees; corporations; associations.** A political committee, political action committee, other committee, firm, partnership, corporation, association or organization may not make contributions to a candidate in support of the candidacy of one person aggregating more than ~~\$500~~ \$1,000 in any election for a gubernatorial candidate or ~~more than \$250~~ in any election for any other candidate.

**SUMMARY**

This bill raises the contribution limit to \$1,000 for a gubernatorial candidate and other candidates.