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L.D. 1688

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(Filing No. H-647)

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
127TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1153, L.D. 1688, Bill, "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Funding of Maine Clean Election Act Candidates"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Funding of Maine Clean Election Act Gubernatorial Candidates'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1125, sub-§5, ¶C-2 is enacted to read:

C-2. As a candidate for Governor, collected all seed money contributions from registered voters in the State, except for an amount not to exceed \$20,000, which may be collected from persons other than registered voters in the State.'

SUMMARY

This amendment removes from the bill the requirement that legislative candidates seeking certification under the Maine Clean Election Act may collect seed money contributions only from registered voters in the candidates' electoral divisions. The amendment retains the provision in the bill that requires a gubernatorial candidate seeking certification under the Maine Clean Election Act to collect seed money contributions from registered voters in the State, except that the amendment allows up to \$20,000 in seed money contributions to be received from persons other than registered voters in the State.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See Attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1688

LR 2790(02)

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Funding of Maine Clean Election Act Candidates

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A' (H-647)
Committee: Veterans and Legal Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential future biennium cost savings - Other Special Revenue Funds
Potential future biennium revenue decrease - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The bill limits a candidate for Governor to collecting no more than \$20,000 in seed money contributions from people that are not registered voters in Maine in order to be certified under the Maine Clean Election Act, resulting in potential future Other Special Revenue Funds savings to the Maine Clean Election Fund (MCEF) from fewer gubernatorial candidates participating in the Maine Clean Election Act. There is no current estimate on the amount of potential savings to the MCEF, although it will exceed any potential revenue loss.