

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 616

House of Representatives, March 2, 2023

### An Act to Implement Requirements for Certain Bills

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Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative ADAMS of Lebanon.

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

2           **Sec. 1. 3 MRSA c. 4** is enacted to read:

3                                   **CHAPTER 4**

4                                   **REQUIREMENTS FOR LEGISLATION**

5       **§101. Emergency bills**

6           A bill submitted to the Legislature and designated as an emergency may contain only  
7       a single subject, which must relate to the cause for the emergency designation.

8       **§102. Bill titles**

9           The title of a bill submitted to the Legislature must accurately reflect the action  
10       performed by the bill and may not contain editorial, persuasive or misleading words or  
11       phrases.

12                                   **SUMMARY**

13           This bill requires that a bill submitted to the Legislature and designated as an  
14       emergency contain only a single subject related to the emergency and that the title of a bill  
15       submitted to the Legislature accurately reflect the action performed by the bill and not  
16       contain editorial, persuasive or misleading words or phrases.