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### LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

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H. P. 1424 House of Representatives, February 11, 1941. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 600 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Richardson of Strong.

#### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Recognition of Political Parties on Ballots.

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

Limitation on recognition of political parties on ballots. No political party shall be recognized and given a place on the ballot which advocates the overthrow by force or violence, or which advocates or carries on a program of sedition or of treason by radio, speech or press, of our local, state or national government. No newly organized political party shall be permitted on the ballot until it has filed an affidavit by its officers, under oath, that it does not advocate the overthrow of local, state or national government by force or violence, and that it is not affiliated in any way with any political party or organization, or subdivisions of organizations, which does advocate such a policy by radio, speech or press.