

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE  
AS PASSED BY THE  
One Hundred and Sixth Legislature  
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THE KNOWLTON AND MCLEARY COMPANY  
FARMINGTON, MAINE  
1975

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PUBLIC LAWS  
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**Sec. 18. Courtesy inspections.** During the period following the effective date of this section and before July 1, 1977, the Bureau of Labor shall provide workplaces as defined in this Act with courtesy, advisory inspections as described in sections 44-A, 45 and 50.

**Sec. 19. Effective date.** With the exception of section 18, this Act shall become effective July 1, 1977. Section 18 of this Act shall be effective 90 days after the adjournment of the regular session of the 107th Legislature.

Effective July 1, 1977 except as otherwise indicated

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## CHAPTER 520

### AN ACT Relating to Nomination by Petition.

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

**Sec. 1.** 21 MRSA § 492, sub-§ 5, 1st sentence, is amended to read:

It must be signed by a number of voters equal to at least ~~1%~~ 3% of the number of votes cast for Governor at the last gubernatorial election in the electoral division which is to make the nomination, but in no case less than 25.

**Sec. 2.** 21 MRSA § 492, sub-§ 9 is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

9. **Declaration of candidacy.** A person who seeks nomination by petition must file a signed declaration of candidacy with the Secretary of State by or before 5 p.m. on April 1st of the election year in which he or she will be a candidate. The person filing a declaration of candidacy must include within the declaration the title of the office he or she intends to seek. Failure to file such declaration prior to 5 p.m. on April 1st will result in that person being ineligible to be a candidate for election in that calendar year.

**Sec. 3.** 21 MRSA § 492, sub-§ 10, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1971, c. 544, § 66, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

10. **Filing.** Persons seeking nomination by petition and having submitted a declaration of candidacy in accordance with subsection 9 must file petitions in the office of the Secretary of State prior to 5 p.m. on the date of the primary election.