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enroll in a political party, or both, by completing an application which shall be designed by the Secretary of State and contain the following information:

- A. First name, middle name or initial and last name, or first name or initial, middle name and last name;
- B. Residence address, including street, street number, apartment number, town, county and zip code;
- C. Mailing address;
- D. Date of birth;
- E. Sex;
- F. Most recent prior residence where registered to vote, including the name under which registered, if changed, legal address and mailing address;
- G. Whether a citizen by birth or naturalization; if by naturalization, the date, place and court of naturalization:
- H. Notification that failure to complete the entire application may prevent registration;
- I. Certification that all information is correct, sworn before a notary public;
- J. Date of registration;
- K. Signature of applicant; and
- L. Choice of political party if the applicant desires to enroll in a political party.

Effective September 29, 1987.

#### CHAPTER 146

H.P. 872 — L.D. 1173

AN ACT to Amend the Notice Provisions Concerning Write-in Candidates in Primary Elections.

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

- 21-A MRSA §723, sub-§1, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161, §6, is amended to read:
  - A. A person who has not qualified as a candidate for nomination by primary election by filing a petition and consent under sections 335 and 336, but who fulfills the other qualifications under section 334, may be nominated at the primary election if he receives a number of valid write-in votes equal to at least twice the minimum number of signatures required under section 335, subsection 5, on a primary petition for a candidate for that office.

(1) Within 7 days after receiving notice of his nomination, a write-in candidate must file a written acceptance with the Secretary of State. If the candidate fails to do so, he is disqualified and his name shall not be printed on the general election ballot. The Secretary of State shall send notice of nomination to a write-in candidate by certified mail, return receipt requested. For purposes of this paragraph, the notice shall be deemed given on the date the write-in candidate signs the receipt, or if the notice is undeliverable, the date the post office last attempts to deliver it. If the candidate fails to file a written acceptance with the Secretary of State within 15 days after receiving the notice, he is disqualified and his name shall not be printed on the general election ballot.

Effective September 29, 1987.

### CHAPTER 147

H.P. 1079 - L.D. 1467

AN ACT to Amend the Deadline for Submission of Questions Under the Local Liquor Option.

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

- Sec. 1. 28-A MRSA §121, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4, is amended to read:
- 1. Petition. A petition for a local option election must be signed by a number of voters equal to at least 15% of the number of votes cast in that municipality in the last gubernatorial election. All petition signatures must have been signed since the last general election. The petition must be addressed to and received by the municipal officers at least 21 42 days before holding any primary, special statewide, general or municipal election or town meeting.
- Sec. 2. 28-A MRSA §122, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 45, Pt. A, §4, is amended to read:
- 1. Petition. Residents of an unincorporated place may request that an election be held on any of the local option questions listed in section 123. A petition requesting a local option election must be signed by at least 15% of the voting age residents in the unincorporated place. The petition must be addressed to and received by the Secretary of State at least 21 42 days before holding any primary, special, statewide or general election in the unincorporated place.

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#### CHAPTER 148

H.P. 1101 — L.D. 1492