

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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party. ~~If his the answer is in the affirmative, the registrar shall have ask in which party the person complete the enrollment portion of the application wishes to enroll. If the answer is in the negative, the registrar shall note on the enrollment portion of the application that the person chose not to enroll in a political party. Nothing in this section may be construed to require a person to enroll in a political party.~~

**1. Influence prohibited.** The registrar shall not attempt to influence an applicant in ~~his choice of a party, any aspect of the enrollment procedure~~ and he shall not allow anyone else present to do so.

**Sec. 3. 21-A MRSA §142, first ¶,** as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161, §6, is amended to read:

A voter who had initially chosen not to enroll in a particular party may later enroll in a party by filing an application with the registrar personally, by mail or otherwise, at any time, except that on election day a voter must enroll in person.

**Sec. 4. 21-A MRSA §151,** as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161, §6, is amended to read:

**§151. Same form**

An individual ~~may shall~~ register to vote and ~~enroll in a political party~~ indicate enrollment status at the same time and on the same form. If an individual chooses to enroll in a political party, the registrar shall indicate the party chosen on the registration form. The registrar shall indicate on the registration form if an individual chooses not to enroll in a political party.

**Sec. 5. 21-A MRSA §152, sub-§1, ¶L,** as amended by PL 1987, c. 145, is further amended to read:

L. Choice of political party if the applicant desires to enroll in a political party or an indication that the applicant chose not to enroll in a party.

**Sec. 6. 21-A MRSA §154, sub-§1, ¶N,** as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161, §6, is amended to read:

N. Choice of political party if the registrant wishes to enroll in a political party or an indication that the applicant chose not to enroll in a party.

**Sec. 7. 21-A MRSA §171, sub-§1, ¶¶H to J,** as enacted by PL 1985, c. 161, §6, are amended to read:

H. Remarks concerning registration ~~or enrollment~~;

I. Date of registration; ~~and~~

J. Signature of registrant; ~~and~~

**Sec. 8. 21-A MRSA §171, sub-§1, ¶K** is enacted to read:

K. Political party designation or indication that the voter wishes unenrolled status.

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## CHAPTER 314

H.P. 751 - L.D. 1055

### An Act to Restrict Smoking in Enclosed Shopping Malls

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

**22 MRSA §1672-A** is enacted to read:

**§1672-A. Smoking restricted**

**1. Policy notice.** The owner or manager, or designee, of every shopping center subject to this chapter shall establish a written policy concerning smoking and nonsmoking by members of the public in any enclosed common area of the center. In order to protect the public from detrimental effects of smoking by others, the policy shall prohibit smoking, except in designated smoking areas. A printed copy of this policy shall be posted in conspicuous locations throughout the common areas governed by the policy. In any area in which smoking is prohibited, the managing entity of the shopping center shall post in a conspicuous place a sufficient number of signs indicating that smoking is prohibited. The letters in the signs shall be at least 1 1/2 inches high and proportionally wide.

**2. Designated smoking areas.** Areas designated as smoking areas shall be in locations designed to minimize the effect of environmental tobacco smoke on the public.

**3. Shopping centers; food or beverage service areas.** Smoking in any part of an enclosed common area where food or beverages are served and tables provided shall be governed by subsection 1579-A.

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## CHAPTER 315

H.P. 791 - L.D. 1103

### An Act to Strengthen the Law Pertaining to Taking or Defacing Political Campaign Signs

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

**23 MRSA §1917-A** is enacted to read:

**§1917-A. Unlawful removal of political signs**

**1. Taking, defacing or disturbing political sign; civil violation.** A person who takes, defaces or disturbs a