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## **An Act To Amend the Maine Clean Election Act as It Relates to Independent Expenditures**

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

**Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1019-B, sub-§1, ¶B**, as amended by PL 2007, c. 443, Pt. A, §20, is further amended to read:

B. Is presumed in races involving a candidate who is certified as a Maine Clean Election Act candidate under section 1125, subsection 5 to be any expenditure made to design, produce or disseminate a communication that names or depicts a clearly identified candidate and is disseminated during the 21 days, including election day, before a primary election; ~~the 35 days, during the period~~ between Labor Day and election day, including Labor Day and election day, before a general election; or during a special election until and on election day.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill extends the rebuttable presumption period for independent expenditures for general election races that include a Maine Clean Election Act candidate from 35 days before election day to from Labor Day to election day.