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House of Representatives, January 8, 2020

An Act To Restrict Maine Clean Election Act Candidates from Seeking or Accepting Employment with Vendors

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative ACKLEY of Monmouth. Cosponsored by Senator CHENETTE of York and

Representatives: O'CONNOR of Berwick, PEBWORTH of Blue Hill.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1125, sub-§6-G is enacted to read:
3	6-G. Prohibition on solicitation or acceptance of employment from vendor by
4	certified candidate. A certified candidate may not solicit or accept employment from an
5	individual, business entity or nonprofit entity to whom the candidate has paid a total of
6	\$10,000 or more in seed money contributions or fund revenues for obligations incurred
7	during a single election cycle. The prohibition in this subsection on soliciting or
8	accepting employment begins on the date that the candidate is certified as a Maine Clean
9	Election Act candidate under subsection 5 and ends 3 years after the end of the election
10	cycle.
11	For purposes of this subsection, "business entity" has the same meaning as in subsection
12	6-C, paragraph B.
13	SUMMARY
14	This bill prohibits a Maine Clean Election Act candidate from soliciting or accepting
15	employment from an individual, business or nonprofit entity to whom the candidate paid
16	\$10,000 or more in connection with the candidate's campaign for office. This prohibition
17	begins on the date that the candidate is certified as a Maine Clean Election Act candidate
18	and ends 3 years after the date of the general election for that office.