



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2023

Legislative Document

No. 391

H.P. 242

House of Representatives, February 2, 2023

**Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 2:
Hearing Procedures and Portions of Chapter 3: Maine Clean
Election Act and Related Provisions, Major Substantive Rules of the
Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices**

(EMERGENCY)

Reported by Representative SUPICA of Bangor for the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.

Reference to the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

1 **Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not
2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

3 **Whereas,** the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A requires
4 legislative authorization before major substantive agency rules may be finally adopted by
5 the agency; and

6 **Whereas,** major substantive rules have been submitted to the Legislature for review;
7 and

8 **Whereas,** immediate enactment of this resolve is necessary to record the Legislature's
9 position on final adoption of the rules; and

10 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within
11 the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as
12 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
13 therefore, be it

14 **Sec. 1. Adoption. Resolved:** That final adoption of portions of Chapter 2: Hearing
15 Procedures and portions of Chapter 3: Maine Clean Election Act and Related Provisions,
16 provisionally adopted major substantive rules of the Commission on Governmental Ethics
17 and Election Practices that have been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to
18 the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is authorized.

19 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation
20 takes effect when approved.

21 SUMMARY

22 This resolve provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 2: Hearing
23 Procedures and portions of Chapter 3: Maine Clean Election Act and Related Provisions,
24 major substantive rules of the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.