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## **New Polling Shows Continued Strong Support for Clean Elections and Getting Money Out of Politics**

AUGUSTA – A <u>new poll</u> conducted by Maine-based polling firm Critical Insights shows Mainers continue to strongly support Maine's Clean Election Act.

The poll shows that reducing the influence of money in politics is important to virtually all Mainers with 60 percent saying that it's "very important."

In addition, almost half of all voters polled feel that candidates for Governor should be *required* to use Clean Elections for their campaigns. An additional 23 percent believe candidates for Governor should at least have the option to use Clean Elections to fund their campaign.

"It's clear, Mainers want a strong Clean Elections law so we can have government accountable to everyday people, not one bought and paid for by wealthy special interests," said Executive Director of Maine Citizens for Clean Elections Andrew Bossie.

The poll, paid for and released by Maine Citizens for Clean Elections, was conducted March 4-10 and surveyed 610 Maine residents. It has a margin of error of +/- 4 percent.