



TO: The Honorable Senator Nancy B. Sullivan, Senate Chair
The Honorable Representative Pamela Jabar Trinward, House Chair
The Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs

DATE: April 6, 2009

RE: **LD 1016** "An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Campaign Finance Reports and the Maine Clean Election Act," Senator Sullivan, sponsor (Agency Bill)

Maine Citizens for Clean Elections (MCCE) testifies in support of LD 1016.

LD 1016 is a package of modest changes to the campaign finance statutes put forward by the Maine Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices. MCCE agrees with the Commission that most of the proposed changes will improve the administration of these laws. We believe that none of the provisions will do any harm.

We recommend an "Ought to Pass" vote on LD 1016.

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Member Organizations

AARP Maine, Common Cause Maine, EqualityMaine, League of Women Voters of Maine, League of Young Voters, Maine AFL-CIO, Maine Council of Churches, Maine People's Alliance/Maine People's Resource Center, Maine Women's Lobby, NAACP-Portland, Natural Resources Council of Maine, Peace Action Maine