
By Messrs. Cameron of Amesbury and Wood of Hopkinton, petition of Colin J. Cameron and Clarence A. Wood that public officials and candidates for public office against whom allegedly false statements are printed in newspapers be given the privilege of having printed therein their answers to such statements. Legal Affairs.

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AN ACT GIVING PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE AGAINST WHOM ALLEGEDLY FALSE STATEMENTS ARE PRINTED IN A NEWSPAPER THE PRIVILEGE OF HAVING PRINTED IN SUCH NEWSPAPER THEIR ANSWERS TO SUCH STATEMENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Whenever an allegedly false statement in relation
2 to any public official or any candidate for public office
3 is printed in any newspaper and designed or tending
4 to injure such official or candidate, the publisher of
5 such newspaper shall, upon request of such official
6 or candidate, permit him to have printed in the news-
7 paper his answer to such statement. Such printed
8 answer may cover at least the same amount of space
9 as that covered by the allegedly false statement,
10 shall have the same sized heading and shall be printed
11 in an equally prominent part of the newspaper.
12 Whoever violates this section shall be punished by
13 a fine or not more than three hundred dollars.

THE COMMUNITARIANISM OF CONSERVATISM

By [Illegible Name]

The conservative movement in the United States has long been characterized by its emphasis on individualism and limited government. However, in recent years, a new strain of conservatism has emerged, one that emphasizes community and social responsibility. This new conservatism is often referred to as "communitarianism" or "civic conservatism".

Communitarianism is a political philosophy that emphasizes the importance of community and social responsibility. It is a response to the individualism of liberalism and the collectivism of socialism. Communitarians believe that individuals have obligations to their communities, and that these obligations should be reflected in public policy. They argue that a healthy society is one in which individuals are committed to the common good and to the well-being of their neighbors.

The communitarian movement has its roots in the writings of Aristotle and other ancient philosophers. Aristotle argued that humans are by nature social animals, and that they can only flourish in a community. He believed that the good life is one of virtue and justice, and that these virtues are best cultivated in a community. This idea of the "polis" or the city-state has been a central theme of communitarian thought ever since.

In the modern world, communitarianism has been revived by a number of thinkers and writers. One of the most prominent of these is Alasdair MacIntyre, who has argued that liberalism is a failure and that we need a new moral and political philosophy. Another prominent communitarian is Michael Sandel, who has popularized the idea of "civic education" and the importance of community service. Sandel's book, "Justice: What's the Right Thing to Do?", has become a best-seller and has inspired a new generation of students to think about the importance of community and social responsibility.

Communitarianism is not just a theory; it is a movement. There are many organizations and groups that are dedicated to promoting communitarian values and principles. These groups often focus on issues such as education, social justice, and community development. They believe that by working together, we can create a better society for everyone.

The communitarian movement is still in its early stages, but it has the potential to become a major force in American politics and society. It offers a new way of thinking about the relationship between individuals and their communities, and it offers a new vision of the good life. If we embrace communitarianism, we can build a society that is more just, more caring, and more prosperous than we have ever had before.