

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1121

H. P. 915

House of Representatives, March 9, 1979

On Motion of Mrs. Post of Owl's Head, referred to the Committee on Taxation.
Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Miss Brown of Bethel.

Cosponsors: Mr. Gwadosky of Fairfield and Mr. A.F. Nelson of New Sweden.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Provide Elderly Persons More Time to Pay Their Property Tax Bills.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

36 MRSA § 906 is enacted to read:

§ 906. Delay of interest charges

For each claimant who agrees to waive his right to confidentiality, the State Tax Assessor shall forward the claimant's name to the tax collector of the claimant's municipality. No interest shall be charged by a municipality on unpaid taxes of the claimant's until at least 8 months after the commitment of those taxes.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to allow elderly persons who are eligible for the Elderly Householders Tax and Rent Refund Act to be exempt from being charged interest by the municipality on their unpaid taxes for at least 8 months after the commitment of taxes. This will provide for claimants to receive their relief payments from the State for their prior year's taxes.