

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-358) 109TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1104, L.D. 1319, Bill, "AN ACT to Require Payment of Taxes on Timberland Repossessed by the Maine Guarantee Authority."

Amend the Bill by striking out all of the underlined paragraph and inserting in its place the following:

'The Maine Guarantee Authority shall be liable to a municipality for property taxes on any unimproved real property owned by it in the municipality due on or after Aoril 1st at least one year after acquisition of the property by the authority.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment specifies that the property subject to taxation is unimproved real property and requires that the property be held by the authority for at least one year before it becomes taxable. The authority estimates that land presently owned by it could result in tax liabilities of \$10,000 to \$12,000 per year. No State appropriation is needed.

Reported by the Committee on Taxation Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House. 1/9/79 (Filing No. H-358)