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ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

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No. 604

H. P. 353

House of Representatives, January 23, 1963

Read and On Motion of Mr. Wellman of Bangor Reference Reconsidered.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Waterman of Auburn.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Property Tax Appeals.

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

R. S., c. 91-A, § 53, amended. Section 53 of chapter 91-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 399 of the public laws of 1955, is amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 53. Commissioner appointed to hear the parties and report. ~~All appeals to the Superior Court under the provisions of sections 50 and 51 may be referred by the court to the State Tax Assessor, who shall hear the parties and report his findings to the court together with a transcript of the evidence. Such report shall be prima facie evidence of the facts thereby found; or the~~ The court may in its discretion appoint a commissioner to hear the parties and to report to the court the facts or the facts with the evidence. Such report shall be prima facie evidence of the facts thereby found. The fees of the commissioner shall be paid in the same manner as those of auditors appointed by the court.'