

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 779

House of Representatives, February 6, 1963

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Cottrell of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Disposal of Dilapidated Buildings.

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

R. S., c. 141, § 25, amended. Section 25 of chapter 141 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

‘Sec. 25. Dangerous buildings. When the municipal officers of a town, after personal notice in writing to the owner of any burnt ~~dilapidated~~ or dangerous building, **or any building which constitutes a hazard to safety or health or public welfare by reason of inadequate maintenance, dilapidation, obsolescence, abandonment or unfitness for human habitation and which exerts a downgrading or blighting influence on the surrounding neighborhood,** or by publication in a newspaper in the same county, if any, 3 weeks successively, otherwise in the state paper, and after a hearing of the matter, adjudge the same to be a nuisance or dangerous, they may make and record an order prescribing what disposal shall be made thereof, and thereupon the town clerk shall deliver a copy of such order to a constable, who shall serve such owner, if a resident of the State, with an attested copy thereof, and make return of his doings thereon to said clerk forthwith. If the owner, or part owner, is unknown or resides without the State, such notice shall be given by publication in the state paper, or in a paper published in the county, 3 weeks successively.’