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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 103rd LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 365, L.D. 512, Bill, "An Act Relating to a Power of Sale in a Mortgage and Sale Under a Power in a Mortgage."

Amend said Bill in the title by inserting before the word 'Mortgage' in 2 places the word 'Corporate'

Further amend said Bill in section 2 by striking out all of the amending clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 2. R. S., T. 14, §§6203-A - 6203-E, additional. Title 14 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 5 new sections, to be numbered 6203-A to 6203-E, to read as follows:'

Further amend said Bill in section 2 by striking out all of the first underlined paragraph of that part designated "§6203-A' and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Any mortgagee of real estate of a corporation having a mortgage containing a power of sale, or his assignee, or a person authorized by the power of sale, or the attorney duly authorized by a writing under seal, or the person acting in the name of such mortgagee or person, may upon breach of condition and without action. do all the acts authorized or required by the power; but no sale under such power shall be effectual to foreclose a mortgage unless, previous to such sale, notice thereof has been published once in each of 3 successive weeks, the first publication to be not less than 21 days before the day of the sale, in a newspaper, if any, published in the town where the land lies. If no newspaper is published in such town, notice may be published in a newspaper published in the county where the land lies, and this provision shall be implied in every power of sale mortgage in which it is not expressly set forth. A newspaper which by its title page purports to be printed or published in such town, city or county, and having circulation therein, shall be sufficient for the purpose. A copy of said notice shall be served on the mortgagor or its representative in interest, or may be sent by registered mail addressed to it or such representative at its last known address, or to such person and to such address as may be agreed upon in said mortgage, at least 21 days before the date of the sale under the power in the mortgage.

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Further amend said Bill in that part of section 2 designated "§6203-B" by striking out in the first and 2nd lines (Same in L.D. 512) the underlined punctuation and words ", or the attorney duly authorized by a writing under seal, or the legal guardian or conservator of such person"

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of that part of section 2 designated "§6203-C"

Further amend said Bill in section 2 by renumbering those parts designated "§6203-D", "§6203-E" and "§6203-F" to be '§6203-C, §6203-D and §6203-E'

Further amend said Bill in section 2 by striking out all of the first underlined sentence in that part designated "§6204-F" and inserting in place thereof the following underlined sentence:

'No action for a deficiency shall be brought by the holder of the mortgage note or other obligation secured by mortgage of real estate after foreclosure by exercise of the power of sale unless a notice in writing of the mortgagee's intention to foreclose the mortgage shall have been served on the mortgagor or its representative in interest or the same has been sent by registered mail with return receipt requested at its last address then known to the mortgagee, to such address as may be agreed upon in said mortgage, together with a naming of liability for the deficiency, in substantially the form below, at least 21 days before the date of the sale under the power in the mortgage, and an affidavit has been signed and sworn to, within 30 days after the foreclosure sale, of the mailing of such notice.

Further amend said Bill in section 3 by striking out all of the 3rd and 4th lines (Same in L.D. 512) and inserting in place thereof the following: 'Nothing herein shall apply to a sale under the statutory power of sale in a corporate mortgage as provided for in sections 6203-A to 6203-E, to railroad mortgages,'

Further amend said Bill in section 4 by striking out all of the 3rd, 4th and 5th lines (Same in L.D. 512) and inserting in place thereof the following:

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'6501-A. "Power of sale" in corporate mortgage

The following "Power" shall be known as "The Statutory

Power of Sale" and may be included in any mortgage or incorporated

by reference in any mortgage wherein a corporation is the mortgagor.

Further amend said Bill in the next to last line (Same in L.D. 512) by striking out the underlined word "him" and inserting in place thereof the underlined word 'it'

Reported by a Majority of the Committee on Judiciary.

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