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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1162, L. D. 1663, Bill, "An Act Relating to Realty Subdivisions in Municipalities and Unorganized Territory."

Amend said Bill in the Title by inserting after the word "Subdivisions" the words 'and Dilapidated Buildings'

Further amend said Bill by inserting after the enacting clause the following:

'Sec. 1. R. S., T. 17, §2851, amended. The first paragraph of section 2851 of Title 17 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by chapter 284 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Whenever the municipal officers shall find a building or structure or any portion thereof is structurally unsafe; unstable; unsanitary; constitutes a fire hazard; is unsuitable or improper for the use or occupancy to which it is put; constitutes a hazard to health or safety because of inadequate maintenance, dilapidation, obsolescence or abandonment or is otherwise dangerous to life or property, they may after notice and hearing on this matter, adjudge the same to be a nuisance or dangerous and may make and record an order prescribing what disposal shall be made thereof.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 17, §2853, amended. Section 2853 of Title 17 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by chapter 284 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

§2853. Municipal officers may order nuisance abated

If no appeal is filed, the municipal officers of such municipality shall cause said nuisance to be abated or removed in compliance with their order, and all expenses thereof shall be repaid to the municipality by the owner or co-owner within 30 days after demand or ~~the municipal officers may bring a civil action to recover such expenses~~ a special tax may be assessed by the assessors against the land on which said building was located for the amount of such expenses and such amount shall be included in the next annual warrant to the tax collector of said town for collection, and shall

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be collected in the same manner as other state, county and municipal taxes are collected.

Personal property located within said nuisance shall be removed upon written notice of the municipal officers sent by certified mail at least 14 days prior to the abatement of said nuisance. The notice shall be sent to the owner or owners at their last known address and shall specify that unless said personal property is removed it will be disposed of by the municipality.'

Proposed by Senator HILDRETH of Cumberland.

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