

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Webber of Belfast.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-ONE

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**AN ACT to Disclose Source of Title to Real Estate Prior to Recording.**

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

**R. S., T. 33, § 653-A, additional.** Title 33 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 653-A to read as follows:

**§ 653-A. Source of title**

No instrument purporting to convey any interest in real estate in the State of Maine and appearing on its face to have been acknowledged subsequent to the effective date of this Act shall be accepted for recording in a registry of deeds unless such instrument contains a statement of alleged immediate source of title of each grantor executing such instrument.

STATEMENT OF FACT

It is the intent of this bill to assist in searching the chain of title to real estate.