

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1028

H. P. 762

House of Representatives, February 23, 1971

Referred to Committee on County Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Hewes of Cape Elizabeth.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Amending Fees Charged by Registers of Deeds.

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

R. S., T. 33, § 751, repealed and replaced. Section 751 of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 265 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 751. Schedule

Except as provided in Title 11, registers of deeds shall receive for:

1. Deed or mortgage. Receiving, recording and indexing any deed or mortgage or any other instrument which is entitled to be recorded and for which a specific fee is not set forth in this section, the sum of \$4 for the first record page and \$1 for each additional record page or portion thereof. In addition, if more than 4 names are to be indexed, a fee of 25¢ shall be paid for each additional name, counting all grantors and grantees;
2. Assignment or discharge. Recording and indexing a discharge of mortgage, assignment of mortgage, partial or complete discharge of attachment, the sum of \$2 each;
3. Municipal quitclaim deed. Recording and indexing a municipal quitclaim deed, the sum of \$5;
4. Copy of writ of attachment in unincorporated place. Receiving from an officer a copy of writ of attachment of real estate or a copy of writ of attachment of personal property in an unincorporated place, minuting it when it is received, keeping it on file and entering it in a book kept for that purpose, \$1;

5. Certain corporation certificates. Receiving and filing a certificate of election of clerk of a corporation, resignation of such clerk, or certificate of change of name or change of location of a corporation, \$1;

6. Copy of process against domestic corporation. Filing and indexing copy of process against a domestic corporation, to be paid by the officer serving it, \$1;

7. Organization of corporation. Recording certificate of organization of corporations and certifying copies thereof for filing with the Secretary of State: Corporation with capital stock, the sum of \$8, and without capital stock, the sum of \$5;

8. Liens for internal revenue taxes. Recording and indexing notices and discharges of liens for internal revenue taxes of the United States of America under section 664 when paid by the United States, \$2;

9. Plans. Recording, indexing and preserving plans; the sum of \$5 for plans less than 12" x 22" in size and \$10 for any plans of larger size;

10. Abstracts of devices. Recording and indexing abstracts of devices when received from registers of probate within the State, the sum of \$4 for the first record page and \$1 for each additional page or portion thereof;

11. Municipal tax liens. Recording and indexing a municipal tax lien filed in accordance with Title 36, section 942, the sum of \$2, together with an additional \$2 for recording and indexing each discharge of a municipal tax lien;

12. Mortgage foreclosure. Recording and indexing a notice of mortgage foreclosure, the sum of \$4;

13. District liens. Receiving, recording and indexing any sewer or water district lien or discharge thereof, the sum of \$1 each;

14. Secured transactions. For receiving, indexing and filing original statements in secured transactions, the sum of \$5;

For receiving, filing and indexing any subsequent statement concerning a secured transaction, such as a continuation or assignment, where the original statement thus modified is already on file, the sum of \$3; and where the original statement is not on file, the sum of \$5;

For receiving, filing and indexing the discharge or termination statement of an original financing statement filed prior to April 1, 1970, the charge prescribed in Title 11, section 9-404; of one filed on or after April 1, 1970, no charge;

15. Divorce decree. For receiving, recording and indexing an abstract of divorce decree, domestic or foreign, the sum of \$4 for the first page and \$1 for each additional page or portion thereof;

16. Abstracts and copies. Making abstracts and copies from the records, a reasonable fee as determined by the county commissioners;

17. When payable. Fees provided by this section shall be paid when the instrument is offered for record, except that fees payable by the State shall be paid monthly by the department or agencies requesting the recording, upon rendition of bills by the register of deeds. Said bills shall be paid within 10 days of receipt of same by the department or agencies.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of these proposed fee increases is to reflect the increased cost of operating registries of deeds and bring receipts in line with current expenses and contemplated cost of improvement.