

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1286

H. P. 932

House of Representatives, March 3, 1971

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Lewis of Bristol.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

**AN ACT to Eliminate Charges for Copies of Deeds
Furnished to Municipalities.**

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

R. S., T. 33, § 604, amended. The last sentence of section 604 of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows :

They may make abstracts and copies from the records and furnish the same to persons calling for them and may charge a reasonable fee for such service, ~~but~~ **except that no fee shall be charged for abstracts or copies of deeds furnished to municipalities located within the same county as the register of deeds furnishing such abstracts or copies.** Registers of deeds shall not give an opinion upon the title to real estate.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Municipalities which pay taxes to the county would be enabled under this legislation to receive copies of deeds from the county registry of deeds free of charge. Presently they must pay for such copies.