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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1444

H. P. 1052 House of Representatives, March 10, 1971 Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Emery of Auburn.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Limiting the Powers of Building and Housing Inspectors.

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

R. S., T. 30, c. 213, sub-c. V, additional. Chapter 213 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new subchapter V to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER V

BUILDING OR HOUSING INSPECTOR

§ 2411. Building or housing inspector

It shall be unlawful for a municipal building or housing inspector to enter any dwelling house, whether a single dwelling or a multiple dwelling, for the purpose of enforcing any building or housing code without first obtaining a legal warrant therefor. Any person violating this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment for less than one year.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide that no citizen of the State of Maine shall be denied access to his home, or property in which he resides, except through the due process of law.