

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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S. P. 354

In Senate, February 23, 1973

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Roberts of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Increasing Certain Fees of Registers of Deeds.

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

R. S., T. 33, § 751, amended. Section 751 of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes, as last repealed and replaced by chapter 321 of the public laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

§ 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 **or in any other 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~~ \$3 each;

3. **Municipal quitclaim deed.** Recording and indexing a municipal quitclaim deed, the sum of ~~\$3~~ \$4 for the first record page and \$1 for each additional record page or portion thereof;

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, ~~5~~ \$2;

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, ~~5~~ \$2;

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, ~~5~~ \$2;

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. **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;

11. **Foreclosure.** Recording and indexing a notice of ~~mortgage~~ foreclosure, the sum of \$4 ~~for the first record page and \$1 for each additional record page or portion thereof~~;

12. **District liens.** Receiving, recording and indexing any sewer or water district lien or discharge thereof, the sum of ~~5~~ \$2 each;

13. **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;

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

15. **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 this bill is to increase the cost of filing, recording and indexing certain documents in the Registry of Deeds so as to make such charges compatible with the added costs incurred in providing such services.