

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 112

H. P. 83 House of Representatives, January 7, 1975
Referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and
ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Torrey of Poland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Prohibiting Smoking in Reference Rooms of Registries of Deeds.

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

33 MRSA, § 704, is enacted to read:

§ 704. Smoking prohibited in reference rooms of registries of deeds

Smoking of cigarettes, pipes and cigars is prohibited in the reference rooms
of the registries of deeds in all counties of the State of Maine.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Deed research requires long hours of intense concentration. Crowded, smoke-filled rooms cause considerable annoyance and discomfort to non-smokers and greatly detracts from the quality of their work. Smoking also poses a distinct fire hazard to valuable public records. This Act will prohibit smoking in the reference rooms of registries of deeds.