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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1083

H. P. 894

House of Representatives, March 14, 1975

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. LaPointe of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Increase the Property Tax Exemption for Property Used by a Religious Society as a Parsonage.

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

36 MRSA § 652, sub-§ 1, ¶ G, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1965, c. 13, is amended to read:

Houses of religious worship, including vestries, and the pews and furniture within the same; tombs and rights of burial; and property owned and used by a religious society as a parsonage to the value of ~~\$20,000~~ \$35,000, and personal property not exceeding \$6,000 in value, but so much of any parsonage as is rented is liable to taxation.

FISCAL NOTE

Passage of this Act will have no revenue impact on property tax revenues for the General Fund or for the Bureau of Property Taxation expenditures.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This Act increased the property tax exemption for property used by a religious society as a parsonage from \$20,000 to \$35,000 in order to compensate for increases in state-wide property valuations caused by reassessments and revaluation.