

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 158, L.D. 186, Bill, "AN ACT to Conform the Acknowledgment Provision of the Recording Statutes to the Uniform Recognition of Acknowledgments Act."

Amend the Bill by inserting before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, there is confusion in some counties as to the acknowledgment requirements for real estate transactions, and in those transactions time is commonly of the essence; and

Whereas, there is a potential for serious legal and economic consequences if the confusion concerning the proper form of acknowledgments is not rapidly cleared; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to make the original bill an emergency and the reason for the emergency is stated in the emergency preamble.

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