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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Laffin of Westbrook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Include the Fire Chief or his Designee in Filing Statements of Fire Occurrence.

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

25 MRSA § 2395, as repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 632, § 5, is amended to read:

§ 2395. Filing statement of fire occurrence

The **municipal fire chief, his designee or** municipal fire inspector shall file a written report with the State Fire Marshal each month on forms provided by his office, setting forth all of the facts relating to the cause, origin and circumstances of fires occurring within his jurisdiction, along with a description of the kind, value and ownership of the property damage or destruction, with such other information as he may require. Such report shall at all times be open to public inspection, except in such instances as the Attorney General may determine that it would be detrimental to a pending criminal investigation.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill requires the fire chief or his designee as well as the municipal fire inspector to file statements of fire occurrences with the State Fire Marshal's office.