

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 167

H. P. 141

House of Representatives, January 8, 1981

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Racine of Biddeford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT Concerning the Fees Charged by Persons Involved in Probating Estates.

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

18-A MRSA § 3-721, sub-§ (c) is enacted to read:

(c) No fee may be considered reasonable unless that fee is computed based on an hourly rate rather than as a flat rate or as a percentage of the estate.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to restrict the practice of attorneys and others charging a percentage of an estate when they are employed in probating the estate.