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ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 893

House of Representatives, February 26, 1981

Reported by Representative LaPlante from the Committee on Local and County Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Reported from the Joint Standing Committee on Local and County Government under Joint Rule #18 pursuant to Resolves, 1979, c. 54. Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 18.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Require Availability of Municipal Ordinances.

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

Sec. 1. 30 MRSA § 2153, sub-§ 4, is amended to read:

4. Application. ~~This section~~ Subsections 1, 2 and 3 shall not apply to ordinances which may be enacted by the municipal officers.

Sec. 2. 30 MRSA § 2153, sub-§ 5 is enacted to read:

5. Availability. Each ordinance shall be on file with the municipal clerk, or another individual designated in the municipal charter, and shall be easily accessible to any member of the public. Copies shall be made available to any member of the public, at reasonable cost, at the expense of the person making the request. Notice of availability of the ordinance shall be posted.

Sec. 3. 33 MRSA § 662-A, as amended by PL 1973, c. 788, § 167, is repealed.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill requires the availability of local ordinances and copies thereof from the municipal clerk or another designated individual. It deletes the requirement for filing municipal land control ordinances with the county registry of deeds.