

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 500

House of Representatives, February 9, 1983

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STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Regarding the Recording of Instru-
ments in the Day Book of the Registry
of Deeds.

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

33 MRSA §653 is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

§653. Time of recording; attestation

Every register shall, at the time of receiving any deed or instrument for record, certify thereon the day and the hour and minute when it was received. Every such paper shall be considered as recorded at the time when it was received and that time shall be entered on the record thereof. The register shall enter that time, the names of the grantor and grantee

1 and the name of the town or unincorporated place as
2 shown by the instrument in which the property con-
3 veyed is located in a book kept for that purpose and
4 open to inspection in business hours. The register
5 shall suffer no deed or instrument for the conveyance
6 of real estate to be altered, amended or withdrawn
7 until it is fully recorded and examined. The records
8 may be attested by the volume, and it shall be deemed
9 to be a sufficient attestation of those records, when
10 each volume bears the attest with the written signa-
11 ture of the register or other person authorized by
12 law to attest those records.

13 STATEMENT OF FACT

14 The original bill eliminated most of the informa-
15 tion currently required by statute to be written into
16 the day book of a registry of deeds when an instru-
17 ment conveying property is filed in the registry.
18 The original bill required only the names of the
19 grantor and grantee to be placed in the day book.

20 This new draft adds 2 more types of information
21 about the instrument that must go into the day book.
22 Along with the names of the grantor and grantee, the
23 register of deeds must write into the day book the
24 time of filing of the instrument and the place where
25 the property conveyed is located.

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