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	FIRST REGULA	AR SESSION
ONE	HUNDRED AND TWE	ELFTH LEGISLATURE
Legislative Docu	nent	No. 30
H.P. 29	Hou	se of Representatives, January 8, 1985
Reference to 1	e Committee on Tax	ation suggested and ordered printed.
		EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Cosponsored	sentative Paradis of A y Representative Spro McBreairty of Aroo	oul of Augusta, Senator Twitchell of
	STATE OF	MAINE
NII	IN THE YEAR O	OF OUR LORD AND EIGHTY-FIVE
AN AC	f to Increase t for Parso	the Tax Exemption
Be it enacted follows:	by the People	of the State of Maine as
	§652, sub-§1, ¶ ther amended t	NG, as amended by PL 1971, to read:
same; tor owned are sonage to so much of taxast provided the prince society	and the pewsons and rights of used by a retter the value of formation. For purpoy this paragration its clergyments	ous worship, including and furniture within the of burial; and property eligious society as a par-\$20,000 should be as is rented is liable coses of the tax exemption aph a parsonage shall mean provided by a religious man whether or not located pality or place as the

1 regularly conducts religious services.

2 STATEMENT OF FACT

 The purpose of this bill is to raise the tax exemption for parsonages from \$20,000 to \$100,000. The dollar amount has not been changed since it was raised from \$6,000 to \$20,000 by Public Law 1965, chapter 13. Maine currently has the lowest such tax exemption in the New England states. Rhode Island has the next lowest at \$75,000 and Massachusetts has a \$400,000 limitation. New Hampshire, Vermont and Connecticut have no limit on tax exemptions for this type of property.

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