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L.D. 87

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
113TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 84, L.D. 87,
Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Building Inspections."

Amend the Bill by adding a new section 3 to read:

'Sec. 3. 25 MRSA §2360 is amended to read:

§2360. Authority to enter buildings; remedy of conditions; appeals

The inspector of buildings, the fire inspector and the municipal officers of any city or town may at all reasonable hours, for the purpose of examination, enter into and upon all buildings and premises within their jurisdiction. Whenever any of said officers shall find in any building or upon any premises combustible material or, inflammable conditions or heating fixtures or apparatus so situated or constructed as to be dangerous to the safety of such buildings or premises, they shall order the same to be removed or remedied, and such order shall be forthwith complied with by the owner or occupant of said buildings or premises. If the said owner or occupant shall deem himself aggrieved by such order when made by the inspector of buildings or the fire inspector, he may within 24 hours appeal to the municipal officers, and the cause of the complaint shall be at once investigated by the direction of the latter and, unless by their authority the order above named is revoked, such order shall remain in force and be forthwith complied with by said owner or occupant. The inspector of buildings, the fire inspector or the municipal officers shall make, or cause to be made, an immediate investigation as to the presence of combustible material or the existence of inflammable conditions in any building or upon any premises under their jurisdiction, upon complaint of any person having an

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1 interest in said buildings or premises or property
2 adjacent thereto. Any owner or occupant of buildings
3 or premises, failing to comply with the orders of the
4 authorities above specified, shall be punished by a
5 fine of not less than \$5 for each day's neglect.'

6 STATEMENT OF FACT

7 This amendment makes it clear that, although a
8 building inspector will no longer be required to ex-
9 amine the heating apparatus and fixtures in every
10 building in his district at least once every 3 years,
11 he retains the authority to conduct the safety in-
12 spections at all reasonable hours when he deems it
13 necessary or advisable.

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