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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Presented by Representative DIAMOND of Bangor.
Cosponsored by President PRAY of Penobscot,
Representative CROWLEY of Stockton Springs, and Senator KANY
of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

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

1 AN ACT to Make Available State-owned Land for
2 the Construction of Affordable
3 Housing.
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5 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
6 follows:

7 30 MRSA c. 239, sub-c. II, art. 8 is enacted to
8 read:

9 ARTICLE 8

10 STATE-OWNED LAND

11 §4791. State-owned land for construction of housing

1 1. Inventory of land. The authority shall in-
2 ventory all land owned by any state agency and re-
3 quest from each agency:

4 A. A current evaluation of the possible uses of
5 the land; and

6 B. A statement of intent detailing the planned
7 use of the land in the subsequent 5 years.

8 2. Land evaluated. A review panel shall be es-
9 tablished to examine the inventory list, identify
10 parcels of land which will not be used by the owning
11 agency within the next 3 years and determine which
12 parcels could be made available for construction for
13 housing.

14 A. The review panel shall be comprised of the
15 Commissioner of Administration, the Executive Di-
16 rector of the Maine State Housing Authority and
17 the Director of the Bureau of Public Lands.

18 3. Land bank. The authority shall administer a
19 land bank, which shall consist of those parcels of
20 land which the review panel found available and suit-
21 able for housing construction.

22 A. The authority shall make the list of land
23 parcels available to potential housing develop-
24 ers.

25 §4792. Acquisition of land

26 1. Terms of acquisition; price. The executive
27 director of the authority shall promulgate rules, in
28 accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure
29 Act, Title 5, chapter 375, setting forth terms for
30 acquisition and lease or purchase price.

31 A. The proceeds of any sale or lease shall be
32 placed in the General Fund account of the depart-
33 ment or agency which owned the land.

34 2. Contract provisions. Each contract for the
35 sale or lease of land shall include a provision that
36 the land will revert to the State in the event that
37 the purposes for which it was sold or leased are vio-
38 lated.

1 units affordable to persons below 60% of the median
2 income for the area. The price and terms for acqui-
3 sitions of parcels is negotiable and the land can be
4 leased on a long-term basis. Each agreement shall
5 include a provision that the land will revert to the
6 State in the event that the purposes for which it was
7 sold or leased are violated. The proceeds of the
8 sale or lease shall be placed in the General Fund.

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