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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
115TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 95, L.D. 136, Bill, "An Act to Enhance the Filing of Documents in the Registry of Deeds"

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2 to 9 and inserting in their place the following:

Sec. 2. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1981, c. 279, §24, is further amended to read:

1. Instruments generally. Receiving, recording and indexing ~~any deed or mortgage or any other instrument which is entitled to that may~~ be recorded and for which a specific fee is not set forth in this section or in any other section, the sum of \$6 ~~\$8~~ for the first record page and \$2 for each additional record page or portion thereof ~~of an additional record page~~. In addition, if more than 4 names are to be indexed, a fee of 25¢ shall ~~shall~~ must be paid for each additional name, counting all grantors and grantees;

Sec. 3. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§1-A, as amended by PL 1981, c. 279, §25, is repealed.

Sec. 4. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§8, as repealed and replaced by PL 1987, c. 645, §3, is repealed.

Sec. 5. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§10, as amended by PL 1981, c. 557, §3, is repealed.

Sec. 6. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§12, as amended by PL 1981, c. 279, §30, is repealed.

Sec. 7. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§13, as repealed and replaced by PL 1981, c. 279, §31, is repealed.

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2 Sec. 8. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§14, as repealed and replaced by PL
1971, c. 321, is amended to read:

4 14. Abstracts and copies. Making abstracts and copies from
the records, a reasonable fee as determined by the county
6 commissioners; and

8 Sec. 9. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§14-A, as enacted by PL 1983, c.
795, §6, is repealed.

10 Sec. 10. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated
12 from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1991-92	1992-93
16	AUDIT, DEPARTMENT OF	

18 Audit - Unorganized Territory

20	All Other	\$3,750	\$3,750
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22 Provides funds to cover
increased recording costs.
24 These costs will be offset by
an increase in General Fund
26 revenue through the municipal
cost component.

30 FISCAL NOTE

	1991-92	1992-93	
34	Appropriations/Allocations		
36	General Fund	\$3,750	\$3,750
38	Revenues		
40	General Fund	\$3,750	\$3,750
42	Increased recording costs in the unorganized territory will require an additional General Fund appropriation of \$3,750, annually. These unorganized territory costs will be offset annually by an equal amount of General Fund revenue through the municipal cost component.'		
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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment replaces the fee language of the existing bill in sections 2 to 8 with language that is more concise and representative of the uniform recording fee for all documents. It also eliminates the proposed increase in the percentage of real estate filing fees that are retained by the county.

The amendment also adds an appropriation and a fiscal note.

Reported by the Committee on State and Local Government
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