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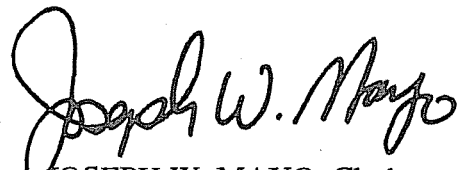
No. 984

H.P. 725

House of Representatives, March 22, 1993

An Act Concerning Disbursement of Property Tax Relief Payments.

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach.
Cosponsored by Senator: TITCOMB of Cumberland.

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

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4 **Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §§6202 and 6203**, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 516, §§3 and 6, are amended to read:

6 **§6202. Claim is personal**

8 The right to file claim under this chapter shall--be is
10 personal to the claimant and shall does not survive his a
12 claimant's death, but the right may be exercised on behalf of a
14 claimant by his that claimant's legal guardian or
16 attorney-in-fact. If a claimant dies after having filed a timely
18 claim, the amount thereof--shall of that claim must be disbursed
20 to the assessing authority for any outstanding property taxes
22 owed by the claimant. Any remaining funds must be paid to
24 another member of the household as determined by the State Tax
26 Assessor.

28 If the claimant was the only member of his that household,
30 the claim may must be paid to his the assessing authority for any
32 outstanding property taxes owed by the claimant. Any remaining
34 funds must be paid to the claimant's personal representative, but
36 if one is not appointed within 2 years of the filing of the
38 claim, the amount of the claim shall--~~escheat~~ escheats to the
40 State.

42 **§6203. Claim to be paid from General Fund**

44 The amount of the claim after certification by the State Tax
46 Assessor may be paid to the assessing authority on behalf of a
48 claimant from the General Fund. No interest may--be is allowed on
50 any payment made to on behalf of a claimant pursuant to this
52 chapter. An assessing authority that receives a payment on
54 behalf of a claimant shall apply the payment to any outstanding
56 property taxes owed the assessing authority by the claimant. Any
58 remaining funds must be paid to the claimant.

60 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

62 This bill requires the State Tax Assessor to pay any
64 benefits from the Maine Residents Property Tax Program to the
66 assessing authority. The assessing authority must use that
68 payment to pay any outstanding property taxes owed by a
70 claimant. Any remaining funds must be paid to the claimant.