

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 752

House of Representatives, March 28, 1995

**An Act to Amend the Laws Dealing with Municipalities Having the
Option of Inspecting Buildings.**

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative STEDMAN of Hartland. (By Request)

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

4 **Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2351** is amended to read:

6 **§2351. Inspector; compensation; jurisdiction; deputy**

8 In every town and city ~~of more than 2,000 inhabitants, and~~
10 ~~in every town of 2,000 inhabitants or less, if such a town shall~~
12 ~~se-vote-at-a-town-meeting,~~ and in each village corporation, if
14 such corporation shall ~~se-vote~~ votes at the annual meeting
16 thereof, the municipal officers shall annually in the month of
18 April appoint an inspector of buildings, who shall must be a ~~man~~
20 person skilled in the construction of buildings, and shall
22 determine ~~his~~ the inspector's compensation. The municipal
24 officers shall define the limits within which the inspector of
26 buildings shall ~~have~~ has jurisdiction, which shall ~~include~~
includes the thickly settled portion of each such city or of each
village in each such city or town. Whenever the inspector of
buildings shall ~~become~~ becomes incapacitated, the municipal
officers may appoint or authorize the inspector of buildings to
appoint a deputy inspector of buildings who shall serve until
removed by the municipal officers, but in no event beyond the
term for which the inspector of buildings was appointed. ~~Such~~ The
deputy inspector shall perform such duties as may be required of
~~him~~ the deputy inspector by the inspector. ~~His compensation shall~~
be Compensation is determined by the municipal officers.

28 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

30 This bill requires all towns to appoint an inspector of
32 buildings. Currently it is only required in towns of 2,000 or
34 more inhabitants and is optional for towns with fewer than 2,000
habitants.