

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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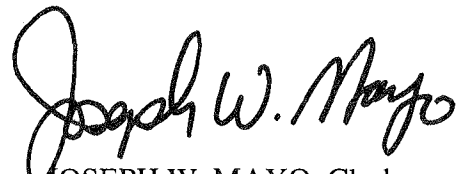
H.P. 1107

House of Representatives, March 18, 1997

**An Act to Prohibit Landlords from Collecting Rent More than 3 Months  
in Advance.**

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Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative STEVENS of Orono.  
Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot and  
Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DUNLAP of Old Town, ETNIER of Harpswell,  
JONES of Bar Harbor, TOWNSEND of Portland.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §6039** is enacted to read:

6 **§6039. Advance rent; prohibition**

8 A landlord may not collect rent more than 3 months in  
10 advance of the rental period for which the rent is due. For  
12 purposes of this section, a rental period may not exceed one  
14 month.

16 **SUMMARY**

This bill prohibits a landlord from collecting rent more than 3 months in advance of the date the rent is actually due.