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H.P. 363

House of Representatives, January 14, 1999

An Act to Amend the Statute of Limitations for Land Surveyors.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative STANLEY of Medway. Cosponsored by Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CLARK of Millinocket, HATCH of Skowhegan, RINES of Wiscasset, WHEELER of Eliot.

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Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §752-D, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 161, §1, is amended to read:

§752-D. Land surveyors

All eivil actions for professional negligence against land surveyors duly licensed or registered under Title 32 must be commenced within -4- 2 years after the negligence is discovered, but an action may not be commenced more than 20 6 years after the completion of the plan or the completion of the professional services if a plan is not prepared.

SUMMARY

This bill makes the statute of limitations for land surveyors consistent with Maine's general 6-year statute of limitations, which can be found in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 14, section 752. This bill also reduces the time period from 4 years to 2 years for an individual to sue a land surveyor after discovering a problem.