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H.P. 125

House of Representatives, January 21, 2003

**An Act to Amend the Maine Probate Code Regarding the Fee for a
Copy of a Will Provided to a Beneficiary**

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative SIMPSON of Auburn.
Cosponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin and
Representatives: BOWLES of Sanford, BULL of Freeport, GERZOFKY of Brunswick,
NORBERT of Portland.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 18-A MRSA §1-505**, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 540, §1,
is amended to read:

6 **§1-505. Notice to beneficiaries; furnishing of copies**

8 Registers of probate shall, within 30 days after any will is
10 probated, notify by mail all beneficiaries under that will that
devises have been made to them, stating the name of the testator
and the name of the personal representative, if one has been
12 appointed at the time this notification is sent. Beneficiaries
in a will shall must, upon application to the register of
14 probate, be furnished with a copy of ~~so much of any~~ the probated
will ~~as relates to them~~, upon payment of a fee of \$1, ~~provided~~
16 ~~the copy does not exceed 10 lines of legal cap paper of not less~~
~~than 10 words in each line, and 10¢ for each additional line of~~
18 10 words per page.

20 **SUMMARY**

22 This bill provides that a beneficiary in a will must, upon
24 application to the register of probate, be furnished with a copy
of the probated will upon payment of a fee of \$1 per page.