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An Act To Amend the Statute of Limitations for Actions against Professional Land Surveyors

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator WESTON of Waldo.

Cosponsored by Senators: HASTINGS of Oxford, HOBBS of York, NUTTING of Androscoggin.

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

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

3 **§752-D. Land surveyors**

4 All civil actions for malpractice or professional negligence against a professional land
5 surveyors surveyor duly licensed or registered under Title 32 must be commenced within
6 4 years after the malpractice or negligence is discovered, but an action may not be
7 commenced more than ~~20~~ 10 years after the substantial completion of the ~~plan~~ contract
8 for services or the substantial completion of the ~~professional~~ services provided, if a ~~plan~~
9 is not prepared contract for services is not involved. The limitation periods provided by
10 this section do not apply if the parties have entered into a valid contract that, by its terms,
11 provides for limitation periods different from those set forth in this section.

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SUMMARY

13 This bill decreases the statute of limitations for which actions against a professional
14 land surveyor may be brought from 20 years to 10 years.