# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## 125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 182

House of Representatives, February 1, 2011

#### An Act To Protect Homeowners Concerning Property Liens

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

Heather J.R. PRIEST Clerk

Presented by Representative CASAVANT of Biddeford.

Cosponsored by Senator SULLIVAN of York and

Representatives: BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, EBERLE of South Portland, KAENRATH of

South Portland.

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

#### Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §943, 3rd ¶ is amended to read:

In the event that said If the tax, interest and costs shall be are paid within the period of redemption, the municipal treasurer or assignee of record shall prepare and record a discharge of the tax lien mortgage in the same manner as is now provided for the discharge of real estate mortgages. The municipal treasurer shall notify the party named on the tax lien mortgage within 30 days in a writing signed by the treasurer or bearing the treasurer's facsimile signature and left at the holder's last and usual place of abode or sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the holder's last known address if a 3rd party pays any portion of the tax, interest and costs at any time during the foreclosure process or during the period of redemption.

12 SUMMARY

 This bill requires the municipal treasurer to notify a delinquent property taxpayer if a 3rd party pays any portion of the tax, interest and costs during the foreclosure process or redemption period.