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L.D. 1550

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
125TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1137,
L.D. 1550, Bill, "An Act To Change Document Filing Fees for County Registries of
Deeds"

Amend the amendment in the first paragraph by striking out everything after the
following: "Amend" (page 1, lines 11 and 12 in amendment) and inserting the following:
the bill by striking out all of sections 1 and 2 and inserting in their place the following:

Sec. 1. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§1, as amended by PL 2005, c. 246, §1, is further
amended to read:

1. Instruments generally. Receiving, recording and indexing any instrument that
may be recorded and for which a specific fee is not set forth in this section or in any other
section, ~~the sum of \$13~~ for the first record page, a sum established by the county
commissioners for the county in which the registry of deeds is located but no more than
\$19 and \$2 for each additional record page or portion of an additional record page. In
addition, if more than 4 names are to be indexed, a fee of \$1 must be paid for each
additional name, counting all grantors and grantees;

Sec. 2. 33 MRSA §751, sub-§9, as amended by PL 2005, c. 246, §2, is further
amended to read:

9. Plans. Recording, indexing and preserving plans, ~~the a sum of \$15 established by~~
the county commissioners for the county in which the registry of deeds is located but no
more than \$21; "

Amend the amendment by striking out all of the 2nd paragraph (page 1, lines 13 and
14 in amendment)

SUMMARY

This amendment allows the county commissioners for each county to establish the
fee for recording an instrument at the registry of deeds for that county. The recording fee

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1 is limited to a maximum of \$19 for the first record page and \$21 for plans, the same
2 amounts proposed in Committee Amendment "A."

3 SPONSORED BY: *Bonnie S. Moulton*
4 (Representative MOULTON)
5 TOWN: York

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

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Approved: 03/20/12 *MAC*

125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 2151(04)

An Act To Change Document Filing Fees for County Registries of Deeds

Fiscal Note for House Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor: Rep. Moulton of York

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor savings - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Compared to the fees established in the committee amendment, allowing county commissioners some flexibility in establishing certain fees up to fixed maximums may result in minor savings to the Department of Human Services or any other state agency that needs instruments recorded.