

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 640

S.P. 230

In Senate, February 21, 2013

An Act Regarding Legal Representation in Certain Eviction Actions

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset.

Cosponsored by Representative LONGSTAFF of Waterville, Representative DUNPHY of Embden and

Senators: BURNS of Washington, CUSHING of Penobscot, MASON of Androscoggin, THIBODEAU of Waldo, THOMAS of Somerset, Representatives: DOAK of Columbia Falls, PRINGLE of Windham, WALLACE of Dexter.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §807, sub-§3, ¶P**, as amended by PL 2009, c. 480, §2 and
3 amended by PL 2011, c. 657, Pt. W, §5, is further amended to read:

4 P. A person who is not an attorney but who, as the executive director of the State
5 Harness Racing Commission, is representing the Department of Agriculture,
6 Conservation and Forestry at adjudicatory hearings before the commission in
7 accordance with Title 8, section 263-C; ~~or~~

8 **Sec. 2. 4 MRSA §807, sub-§3, ¶Q**, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 480, §3, is
9 amended to read:

10 Q. A person who is an attorney admitted to practice in another United States
11 jurisdiction to the extent permitted by rules of professional conduct adopted by the
12 Supreme Judicial Court; or

13 **Sec. 3. 4 MRSA §807, sub-§3, ¶R** is enacted to read:

14 R. A person who is the sole member of a limited liability company or is a member of
15 a limited liability company that is owned by a married couple or registered domestic
16 partners who is not an attorney but is appearing for that company in an action for
17 forcible entry and detainer pursuant to Title 14, chapter 709.

18 **SUMMARY**

19 This bill allows a person who is the sole member of a limited liability company or is a
20 member of a limited liability company that is owned by a married couple or registered
21 domestic partners who is not an attorney to appear in court for that company in an action
22 for eviction.