

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Fifty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 157.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT.

AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred thirty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred seventy-four, concerning tax titles.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

SECTION 1. Chapter two hundred and thirty-four of 2 the public laws of eighteen hundred seventy-four is 3 hereby amended by adding the words " or treasurers " 4 after the word " collectors " in the sixth line of the 5 first section. Also by adding the words " or treas- 6 urer " after the word " collector " in the fifteenth line 7 of said section, so that said section as amended shall 8 read as follows :

9 *Sect. 1.* Sections one hundred and sixty-two and 10 one hundred and seventy-four of chapter six of

11 the revised statutes, are each amended so as to read
12 as follows: In any trial at law or in equity, involving
13 the validity of any sale of real estate for non-payment
14 of taxes, it shall be sufficient for the party claiming
15 under it in the first instance, to produce in evidence
16 the collector's or treasurer's deed duly executed and
17 recorded. And then he shall be entitled to judgment
18 in his favor, unless the party contesting such sale
19 shall prove to the court that he or the person under
20 whom he claims, has paid or tendered the amount of
21 all such taxes and the legal charges and interest
22 thereon, and all costs of suit, and then he may be
23 admitted to prosecute or defend, but if the other party
24 then produces, in addition to the deed as aforesaid,
25 the assessments signed by the assessors, and their
26 warrant to the collector, and proves that such collector
27 or treasurer complied with the requirements of the
28 law in advertising and selling such real estate, he
29 shall have judgment in his favor.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 12, 1878.

Reported from the Committee on the Judiciary by Mr. BLISS
of Washington, and ordered printed under the Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*