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Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 244

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend Section one hundred and ninety-six of Chapter six of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section five of Chapter seventy of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating to the Sale of Real Estate for Non-payment of Taxes.

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

Section 1. Section one hundred and ninety-six of chapter 2 six of the Revised Statutes as amended by section five of 3 chapter seventy of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and 4 ninety-five, is hereby amended by striking out the word "four" 5 in the second line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof 6 the word 'thirty,' so said section as amended, shall read as 7 follows:

'Sect. 196. When real estate is so sold for taxes, the col-9 lector shall, within thirty days after the day of sale, lodge 10 with the treasurer of his town a certificate under oath, desig-II nating the quantity of land sold, the names of the owners of 12 each parcel, and the names of the purchasers; what part of 13 the amount of each was tax, and what was cost and charges; 14 also a deed of each parcel sold, running to the purchasers. 15 The treasurer shall not deliver the deeds to the grantees, but 16 put them on file in his office, to be delivered at the expiration 17 of two years from the day of sale, in the case of the lands 18 of resident owners, and one year from the day of sale in the 19 case of lands of non-resident owners, if the owner does not 20 within such time redeem his estate from the sale, by payment 21 of the taxes, and all charges, and interest on the whole at the 22 rate of twenty per cent. from the day of sale to the time of 23 redemption, and costs as above provided, with sixty-seven 24 cents for the deed and certificate of acknowledgment. If the 25 deed of land of a non-resident owner is recorded within thir-26 teen months after the day of sale, no intervening attachment or 27 conveyance shall affect the title. If so redeemed, the treasurer 28 shall give the owner a certificate thereof, cancel the deed, and 29 pay to the grantee, on demand, the amount so received for him. 30 If not so paid, he shall deliver to the grantee his deed, on pay-31 ment of the fees, as aforesaid, for the deed and acknowledg-32 ment, and thirty cents more for receiving and paying out the 33 proceeds of the sale. For the fidelity of the treasurer in dis-34 charging the duties herein required, the town is responsible, 35 and has a remedy on his bond in case of default.'

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STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, Augusta, March 2, 1899.

Reported by Mr. VIRGIN of Portland, from Committee on Judiciary, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.