

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

S. P. 621

S. D. 285

In Senate, April 1, 1925.

Reported by Mr. Hussey from Committee on Judiciary, and
laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE**

AN ACT to Amend Section Twenty-three of Chapter Seventy-eight of the Revised Statutes, as Re-enacted by Chapter Forty of the Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one, Relating to Recording of Instruments of Conveyance.

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

Section twenty-three of chapter seventy-eight of the re-
vised statutes, as re-enacted by chapter forty of the laws of
nineteen hundred and twenty-one, is hereby amended by
striking out the whole thereof, and inserting instead thereof
the following to be known as section twenty-three:

‘Sect. 23. DEEDS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS,
BEFORE WHOM TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED. Deeds
and all other written instruments before recording in the

4 registries of deeds, except those issued by a court of com-
5 petent jurisdiction and duly attested by the proper officer
6 thereof and excepting plans shall be acknowledged by the
7 grantors, or one of them, or by their attorney executing the
8 same, before a justice of the peace, or notary public having a
9 seal, or women otherwise eligible under the constitution and
10 appointed for the purpose by the governor with the advice
11 and consent of the council, in the state; or before any clerk
12 of a court of record having a seal, notary public, justice of
13 the peace, or commissioner appointed by the governor of
14 this state for the purpose, or a commissioner authorized in
15 the state where the acknowledgment is taken, within the
16 United States; or before a minister or consul of the United
17 States or notary public in any foreign country. The seal of
18 such court or the official seal of such notary or commis-
19 sioner, if he have one, shall be affixed to the certificate of
20 acknowledgment, but if such acknowledgment is taken out-
21 side the state of Maine before a justice of the peace, notary
22 public not having a seal, or commissioner, a certificate under
23 seal from the secretary of state, or clerk of a court of rec-
24 ord in the county where the officer resides or took the
25 acknowledgment, authenticating the authority of the officer
26 taking such acknowledgment, and the genuineness of his
27 signature, must be annexed thereto.'