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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Stewart of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT to Protect Bona Fide Purchasers of Real Estate when Owners Divorced.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 153, § 62, amended. Section 62 of chapter 153 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph, to read as follows:

'Provided that the wife shall acquire no rights in the real estate of her husband under the provisions of this section as against a bona fide purchaser for value from the husband, or his successors in title, unless notice has been given by recording a copy of the decree, certified by the recording officer of the court having jurisdiction of the case, in the registry of deeds for the county or registry district where the land lies. No person purchasing from the husband within 10 days after date of the decree shall be considered a bona fide purchaser for value.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 153, § 64, amended. Section 64 of chapter 153 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph, to read as follows:

'Provided that the husband shall acquire no rights in the real estate of his wife under the provisions of this section as against a bona fide purchaser for value from the wife or her successors in title, unless notice has been given by recording a copy of the decree, certified by the recording officer of the court having jurisdiction of the case, in the registry of deeds for the county or registry district where the land lies. No person purchasing from the wife within 10 days after date of the decree shall be considered a bona fide purchaser for value.'