

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE  
AS PASSED BY THE  
One Hundred and Sixth Legislature  
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THE KNOWLTON AND MCLEARY COMPANY  
FARMINGTON, MAINE  
1975

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PUBLIC LAWS  
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## CHAPTER 54

## AN ACT to Clarify and Extend the Equitable Jurisdiction of the District Court in Certain Civil Actions Involving Title to Real Estate.

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

Sec. 1. 4 MRSA § 152, first sentence of first ¶, as last amended by PL 1971, c. 544, § 6, is further amended to read:

The District Court shall possess the civil and criminal jurisdiction exercised by all trial justices and municipal courts in the State on September 16, 1961, and in addition, original jurisdiction, concurrent with that of the Superior Court of all civil actions in which neither damages in excess of \$20,000 nor, **except as herein provided**, equitable relief is demanded; ~~of proceedings under Title 14, sections 6651 to 6658 and of actions for divorce or annulment of marriage and of proceedings under Title 19; and~~ original jurisdiction, concurrent with that of the probate court, of actions for separation; original jurisdiction, concurrent with that of the Superior Court, of actions to quiet title to real estate under Title 14, sections 6651 through 6658, and in such actions the District Court may grant equitable relief; and original jurisdiction, concurrent with that of the Superior Court, of actions to quiet title to real estate under Title 36, section 946, and in such actions the District Court may grant equitable relief.

Sec. 2. 36 MRSA § 946, sub-§ 3 is amended to read:

3. Jury. ~~At the trial of the cause~~ If the cause is tried in the Superior Court, issues of fact may be framed upon application of any party to be tried by a jury whose verdict shall have the same effect as the verdict of a jury in other civil actions.

Effective October 1, 1975

## CHAPTER 55

## AN ACT to Allow Juveniles at the Training Centers and Inmates at the County Jails to Participate in Halfway House Programs.

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

34 MRSA § 528, 2nd sentence, as enacted by PL 1973, c. 488, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Inmates, juveniles and prisoners at any of the correctional, penal or juvenile institutions or any county jail may be paroled, furloughed or entrusted to participate in the Halfway House Program in accordance with applicable provisions of law.

Effective October 1, 1975