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CHAPTER 15

H.P. 1171 - L.D. 1571

Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor to Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory

Sec. 1. State Tax Assessor authorized to convey real estate. Resolved: That the State Tax Assessor is authorized to convey by sale the interest of the State in real estate in the Unorganized Territory as indicated in this resolve. Except as otherwise directed in this resolve, the sale must be made to the highest bidder subject to the following provisions.

1. Notice of the sale must be published 3 times prior to the sale, once each week for 3 consecutive weeks, in a newspaper in the county where the real estate lies except in those cases in which the sale is to be made to a specific individual or individuals as authorized in this resolve, in which case notice need not be published.

2. A parcel may not be sold for less than the amount authorized in this resolve. If identical high bids are received, the bid postmarked with the earliest date is considered the highest bid.

If bids in the minimum amount recommended in this resolve are not received after the notice, the State Tax Assessor may sell the property for not less than the minimum amount without again asking for bids if the property is sold on or before March 1, 2002.

Employees of the Bureau of Revenue Services and spouses, siblings, parents and children of employees of the Bureau of Revenue Services are barred from acquiring from the State any of the real property subject to this resolve.

Upon receipt of payment as specified in this resolve, the State Tax Assessor shall record the deed in the appropriate registry at no additional charge to the purchaser before sending the deed to the purchaser.

Abbreviations and plan and lot references are identified in the 1998 State Valuation. Parcel descriptions are as follows.

1998 MATURED TAX LIENS

T17 R4 WELS, Aroostook County	
Map AR021, Plan 02, Lot 22	038980368
Lewis, Lawrence	0.25 acre

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$9.03
1999	10.61
2000	12.30
2001 (estimated)	<u>12.30</u>
Estimated Total Taxes	\$44.24
Interest	2.15
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$70.39

Recommendation: Sell to Lewis, Lawrence for \$70.39. If he does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$75.00.

T20 R11 & R12 WELS, Aroostook County	
Map AR078, Plan 02, Lot 20.2	038010030
Morneau, Rejean	0.23 acre and Building

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$177.35
1999	208.28
2000	241.57
2001 (estimated)	<u>241.57</u>
Estimated Total Taxes	\$868.77
Interest	42.42
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$935.19

Recommendation: Sell to Morneau, Rejean for \$935.19. If he does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$950.00.

T20 R11 & R12 WELS, Aroostook County	
Map AR078, Plan 02, Lot 20.3	038010085
Morneau, Rejean	1 acre

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$18.06
1999	21.21
2000	24.60
2001 (estimated)	<u>24.60</u>

Estimated Total Taxes	\$88.47
Interest	4.31
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$116.78

Recommendation: Sell to Morneau, Rejean for \$116.78. If he does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$125.00.

Recommendation: Sell to Leclair, Timothy J. for \$802.02. If he does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$825.00.

T20 R11 & 12 WELS, Aroostook County	
Map AR078, Plan 02, Lot 22	038010028
Barnes, Donald E.	0.27 acre and Building

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$130.94
1999	153.77
2000	178.35
2001 (estimated)	<u>178.35</u>

Estimated Total Taxes	\$641.41
Interest	31.31
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$696.72

Recommendation: Sell to Barnes, Donald E. for \$696.72. If he does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$700.00.

Connor Township, Aroostook County	
Map AR105, Plan 02, Lot 175.5	038020387
Waters, Charles R. III and John F. McKinley	22 acres

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$52.49
1999	61.65
2000	61.66
2001 (estimated)	<u>61.66</u>

Estimated Total Taxes	\$237.46
Interest	12.55
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$274.01

Recommendation: Sell to Waters, Charles R. III and John F. McKinley for \$274.01. If they do not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$275.00.

Connor Township, Aroostook County	
Map AR105, Plan 02, Lot 67	038022002
Leclair, Timothy J.	8.5 acres and Buildings

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$151.52
1999	177.95
2000	206.15
2001 (estimated)	<u>206.15</u>

Estimated Total Taxes	\$741.77
Interest	36.25
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$802.02

Wyman Township, Franklin County	
Map FR004, Plan 02, Lot 164	078280103
Higgins, Robert Jr.	0.52 acre

TAX LIABILITY

1997	\$21.62
1998	19.25
1999	22.99
2000	30.29
2001 (estimated)	<u>30.29</u>

Estimated Total Taxes	\$124.44
Interest	8.88
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$157.32

Recommendation: Sell to Higgins, Robert Jr. for \$157.32. If he does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve,

sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$175.00.

Albany Township, Oxford County

Map OX016, Plan 02, Lot 86/87/88.1 178020183
 Craffey, William M. and Robert P. Cross 25 acres

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$262.94
1999	257.86
2000	310.65
2001 (estimated)	<u>310.65</u>
Estimated Total Taxes	\$1,142.10
Interest	59.46
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$1,225.56

Recommendation: Sell to Craffey, William M. and Robert P. Cross for \$1,225.56. If they do not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$1,250.00.

Prentiss Township, Penobscot County

Map PE038, Plan 06, Lot 17.1 195400451
 Ghost, Marjorie W. 5 acres

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$31.90
1999	57.72
2000	63.96
2001 (estimated)	<u>63.96</u>
Estimated Total Taxes	\$217.54
Interest	8.99
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$250.53

Recommendation: Sell to Ghost, Marjorie W. for \$250.53. If she does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$275.00.

T2 R12 WELS, Piscataquis County

Map PI038, Plan 01, Lot 1 218390005
 Pozerycki, Nicholas Building only on leased lot

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$17.77
1999	20.29
2000	23.50
2001 (estimated)	<u>23.50</u>
Estimated Total Taxes	\$85.06
Interest	4.20
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$113.26

Recommendation: Sell to Pozerycki, Nicholas for \$113.26. If he does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$125.00.

T1 R5 BKP EKR, Somerset County

Map SO028, Plan 07, Lot 4.1 258380190
 Hendry, Robert B. 19.7 acres and Building
 and Donna L.

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$111.49
1999	121.50
2000	146.69
2001 (estimated)	<u>146.69</u>
Estimated Total Taxes	\$526.37
Interest	20.24
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$570.61

Recommendation: Sell to Hendry, Robert B. and Donna L. for \$570.61. If they do not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$575.00.

T3 R1 NBKP, Somerset County

Map SO034, Plan 04, Lot 31.1 258330059
 Jennings, Warren 4.62 acres and Buildings

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$102.46
1999	112.50
2000	179.31
2001 (estimated)	<u>179.31</u>
Estimated Total Taxes	\$573.58
Interest	23.98
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$621.56

Recommendation: Sell to Jennings, Warren for \$621.56. If he does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$625.00.

Trescott Township, Washington County	
Map WA032, Plan 01, Lot 142.2	298110562
Pouls, Jan and Donna-Belle Von Winkle	5.37 acres

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$49.03
1999	56.72
2000	54.90
2001 (estimated)	<u>54.90</u>
Estimated Total Taxes	\$215.55
Interest	11.66
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$251.21

Recommendation: Sell to Pouls, Jan and Donna-Belle Von Winkle for \$251.21. If they do not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$275.00.

Trescott Township, Washington County	
Map WA032, Plan 02, Lot 91.2	298110075
Denning, Lester J. and Jeanne C.	0.75 acre

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$63.10
1999	73.01
2000	70.67
2001 (estimated)	<u>70.67</u>

Estimated Total Taxes	\$277.45
Interest	15.01
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$316.46

Recommendation: Sell to Denning, Lester J. and Jeanne C. for \$316.46. If they do not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$325.00.

T21 ED, Washington County	
Map WA033, Plan 04, Lot 24	293400034
Hattie Haskell, Estate of	6.6 acres

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$50.64
1999	58.59
2000	56.72
2001 (estimated)	<u>56.72</u>
Estimated Total Taxes	\$222.67
Interest	5.03
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$251.70

Recommendation: Sell to Hattie Haskell, Estate of for \$251.70. If the estate does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$275.00.

T21 ED, Washington County	
Map WA033, Plan 06, Lot 14	293400101
Wilcox, Robert E.	0.21 acre and Building

TAX LIABILITY

1997	\$42.26
1998	36.41
1999	0.00
2000	40.77
2001 (estimated)	<u>40.77</u>
Estimated Total Taxes	\$160.21
Interest	15.54
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$199.75

Recommendation: Sell to Wilcox, Robert E. for \$199.75. If he does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$200.00.

T14 ED, Washington County

Map WA034, Plan 03, Lot 9 293300040

Haney, Laura B., Estate of 3 acres with Building

TAX LIABILITY

1998	\$56.55
1999	65.43
2000	63.33
2001 (estimated)	<u>63.33</u>
Estimated Total Taxes	\$248.64
Interest	13.45
Costs	16.00
Deed	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$286.09

Recommendation: Sell to Laura B. Haney, Estate of for \$286.09. If the estate does not pay this amount within 60 days after the effective date of this resolve, and have rejected the redemption offer in writing, then sell to the person in possession, Wallace Lifer for \$286.09. If he does not pay this amount within 60 days of the offer, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$300.00.

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CHAPTER 16

H.P. 861 - L.D. 1133

Resolve, Requiring the Maine Arts Commission to Review the Feasibility of Establishing a Performing Artist Subsidy Program for Fairs

Sec. 1. Feasibility review. Resolved: That the Maine Arts Commission shall review the feasibility of establishing a program to provide grants to fairs to assist in paying the fees charged by artists who perform at fairs. The commission shall consult with the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources, the Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs, the Maine Performing Arts Network and other interested groups when conducting this feasibility review and in preparing the report required under section 3. The goals of such a program may include, but are not limited to:

1. Assist fairs with costs of performing artists. Assisting fair managers to pay the fees charged by artists who perform at fairs. Payments to a fair may not exceed 50% of a performing artist's fee and must be capped at a fixed amount per fair for any calendar year; and

2. Promote local performing artists. To the extent possible, providing an incentive for fair managers to choose local performing artists and assisting those artists to become more widely known through advertisements and promotional events; and be it further

Sec. 2. Roster, costs and sources of funding. Resolved: That, in conducting the feasibility review, the Maine Arts Commission shall consider the establishment of a roster of performing artists who are interested in performing at fairs. The commission shall also develop an estimate of the annual costs of such a program and shall actively investigate potential sources of funding for such a program, including any federal or state funding sources, private sources or any other sources; and be it further

Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That the Maine Arts Commission shall submit a report including any recommended implementing legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs by February 1, 2002 on the feasibility of establishing a program to provide grants to fairs to assist in paying performing artists and establishing a roster of those artists and on the costs and sources of funding for such a program; and be it further

Sec. 4. Legislation authorized. Resolved: That the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs may report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 120th Legislature pertaining to a subsidy program for performing artists performing at fairs in this State.

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CHAPTER 17

S.P. 179 - L.D. 607

Resolve, Requiring an Evaluation and Reform of the Tax Expenditure Review Process

Sec. 1. Tax expenditure review process. Resolved: That the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Revenue Services, referred to in this resolve as the "bureau," and the Office of Fiscal and Program Review, referred to in this resolve as the "office," shall jointly study the tax expenditure review process established in the Maine