

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Penmor Lithographers**  
**Lewiston, Maine**  
**2003**

There is a lien on real estate served by a water district to secure the payment of unpaid rates. The method for obtaining, enforcing and receiving payment on the lien must be in the same manner and has the same effect and creates the same rights as provided in Title 38, section 1208, pertaining to the collection of unpaid rates by a sanitary district, except that the sanitary district lien created under Title 38, section 1208 continues with priority over the district's water utility lien created under this section and the notice of impending automatic foreclosure must be substantially in the following form:

**STATE OF MAINE**

**WATER DISTRICT**

**NOTICE OF IMPENDING AUTOMATIC FORECLOSURE WATER LIEN**

**Title 35-A M.R.S.A., section 6414-A**

**IMPORTANT: DO NOT DISREGARD THIS NOTICE YOU WILL LOSE YOUR PROPERTY UNLESS YOU PAY THE CHARGES, COSTS AND INTEREST FOR WHICH A LIEN ON YOUR PROPERTY HAS BEEN CREATED BY THE WATER DISTRICT.**

TO: \_\_\_\_\_

You are the party named on the Water Lien Certificate filed on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ and recorded in Book \_\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ County Registry of Deeds. This \_\_\_\_\_ Water District filing created a lien mortgage on the real estate described in the Water Lien Certificate.

On \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, the water lien mortgage will be foreclosed and your right to redeem the mortgage and recover your property by paying the district's charges and interest that are owed will expire.

**IF THE LIEN FORECLOSES, THE WATER DISTRICT WILL OWN YOUR PROPERTY, SUBJECT ONLY TO SANITARY DISTRICT AND MUNICIPAL TAX LIENS.**

If you can not pay the outstanding charges, costs and interest that are the subject of this notice or the subject of installment payment arrangements that you have made with the district, please contact me immediately to discuss this notice.

\_\_\_\_\_  
District Treasurer

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**CHAPTER 148**

**H.P. 934 - L.D. 1262**

**An Act To Implement the Maine Assistance Program for Lawyers**

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

**Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §164-A** is enacted to read:

**§164-A. Maine Assistance Program for Lawyers; immunity**

**1. Definition.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following term has the following meaning.

A. "Program" means the Maine Assistance Program for Lawyers established by court order pursuant to Title 4, section 421 to provide help to lawyers and judges who suffer from the effects of chemical dependency or mental conditions that result from disease, disorder, trauma or other infirmity and that impair a lawyer's or judge's ability to practice law or serve in a judicial capacity.

**2. Receive or report information; take or not take action.** A person or an organization receiving information, reporting information, taking action or taking no action on behalf of or in connection with the activities of the program is immune from all civil liability. The immunity provided by this subsection must be liberally construed to accomplish the purposes of the program. The immunity provided by this subsection is in addition to any other immunity provided by law.

**3. Information confidential.** All proceedings, communications and records, including the identity and treatment of a person seeking or being furnished assistance, connected in any way with the program are confidential and are not subject to compulsory legal process or otherwise discoverable or admissible in evidence in any civil action unless the confidentiality is waived by the affected person. Statistical data not identifying a person involved in the program may be made available for statistical evaluation as a professional aid in furtherance of the goals of the program.

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