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An Act Regarding the Monitoring of Municipal Abandoned Property

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative SACHS of Freeport. Cosponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo and Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, COLLAMORE of Pittsfield, DUCHARME of Madison, GEIGER of Rockland, HASENFUS of Readfield. 1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §946-C, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 127, §2, is amended to read:

4 4. Program to monitor municipal abandoned property. A municipality that
5 certifies abandoned property under this section shall submit the address and parcel data for
6 the abandoned property to the Maine State Housing Redevelopment Land Bank Authority
7 <u>under Title 30-A, chapter 204</u> for use in determining opportunities for redevelopment,
8 programs supporting first-time home buyers and similar programs and data analysis.

SUMMARY

Under current law, a municipality that certifies abandoned property is required to submit the address and parcel data to the Maine State Housing Authority for use in determining opportunities for redevelopment, programs supporting first-time home buyers and similar programs and data analysis. This bill instead requires the municipality to submit such data to the Maine Redevelopment Land Bank Authority for use in determining opportunities for redevelopment.