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## **An Act To Amend the Statute of Limitations for Actions against Professional Land Surveyors**

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

**Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §752-D**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 161, §1, is amended to read:

### **§ 752-D. Land surveyors**

All civil actions for malpractice or professional negligence against a professional land surveyor ~~surveyor~~ duly licensed or registered under Title 32 must be commenced within 4 years after the malpractice or negligence is discovered, but an action may not be commenced more than 20~~10~~ years after the substantial completion of the plan~~contract~~ for services or the substantial completion of the professional services provided, if a plan is not prepared~~contract~~ for services is not involved. The limitation periods provided by this section do not apply if the parties have entered into a valid contract that, by its terms, provides for limitation periods different from those set forth in this section.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill decreases the statute of limitations for which actions against a professional land surveyor may be brought from 20 years to 10 years.