

## PROCEDURE TO APPEAL YOUR ASSESSMENT

To appeal your assessment you must file an abatement request. You must file within 185 days for August 26, 2019. The last date to file is February 27, 2020. Filings postmarked or sent by courier delivery on or before February 27, 2020 but not delivered until after that date are accepted properly filed. In person filings are accepted until 5:00 PM on that date. Appeals of property valuation are barred after that date.

A downloadable appeal form [**abatement app[1].PDF**] and an explanation of the process as published by the Maine Department of Revenue Services [**bull10[1].PDF**] are posted on the website for your convenience. They are also available at the Town Office.

You are strongly urged to carefully read the material published by the State. The most important point to remember is that the burden of proof is the responsibility of the property owner. And the proof must be factual and not just opinion.

Appeals from a decision of the Board of Assessors are made to the Knox County Board of Property Tax Review. They have their own forms and procedures. You will need to contact them for their requirements.