

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1049

H. P. 849

House of Representatives, March 5, 1979

On Motion of Mrs. Post of Owl's Head, referred to the Committee on Taxation.
Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. F. Carter of Bangor.

Cosponsor: Mr. Masterman of Milo.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Allow Municipalities to Levy a User Charge in Place of Taxes for
Service Provided State and County Owned Property.**

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

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA § 652, sub-§ 1, ¶ L, sub-¶ (2), div. (a), as enacted by PL 1977, c. 487, is amended to read:

(a) Residential properties currently totally exempt from property taxation, yet used to provide rental income. This classification shall not include student housing or parsonages; **and**

Sec. 2. 36 MRSA § 652, sub-§ 1, ¶ L, sub-¶ (2), div. (b) is enacted to read:

(b) **Properties owned by the State and the county.**

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to allow a municipality, at its option, to levy a user charge in place of taxes for services the municipality provides relative to state and county owned property. These user charges are limited, by statute, to the cost of the following services: Fire protection; police protection; road maintenance and construction, traffic control, snow and ice removal; water and sewer service; sanitation services; and any service other than education and welfare.