

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 (Governor's Bill)  
2 (EMERGENCY)  
3 SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
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5 ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE  
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7 **Legislative Document**

**No. 2018**

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9 H. P. 2075 House of Representatives, February 23, 1982  
Referred to the Committee on Transportation. Sent up for con-  
currence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Carroll of Limerick.

10 Cosponsor: Senator Emerson of Penobscot.

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12 **STATE OF MAINE**  
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO  
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17 **AN ACT Relating to Maintenance and**  
18 **Snow Removal in Compact Areas.**  
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20 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature  
21 do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment  
22 unless enacted as emergencies; and

23 Whereas, legislation is required to minimize the impact  
24 of the 1980 census on certain municipalities; and

25 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these  
26 facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Consti-  
27 tution of Maine and require the following legislation as  
28 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public  
29 peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

31 **Sec. 1.** 23 MRSA §754, 1st sentence, as amended by PL  
32 1971, c. 593, §22, is further amended to read:

1 Except as otherwise provided, all state and state aid  
2 highways within compact or built-up sections of towns having  
3 a population of ~~5,000~~ 6,000 and over, as determined by the  
4 department, shall be maintained in good repair by the town  
5 wherein the same are located at the expense of the town.

6 **Sec. 2. 23 MRSA §1001, last ¶**, as amended by PL 1981,  
7 c. 492, Part C, §10, is further amended to read:

8 The maintenance provisions of this section and sections  
9 705, 751, 1003 and 1005-A shall not apply to those compact  
10 or built-up sections of state highway in cities or towns  
11 whose population according to the last United States census  
12 exceeds ~~5,000~~ 6,000 inhabitants and the snow removal provi-  
13 sions shall not apply to those compact or built-up sections,  
14 and "compact areas" as determined by the department, in  
15 which compact sections are intermittent and separated by a  
16 short interval or intervals of sections that are not com-  
17 pact, of state highway in cities or towns whose population  
18 according to the last United States census exceeds ~~2,500~~  
19 3,000 inhabitants. The department may take over the snow  
20 removal on such portions of controlled access highways  
21 within compact sections as it deems advisable.

22 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in  
23 the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

24 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

25 The purpose of this bill is to minimize the impact of  
26 the 1980 census on certain municipalities. This bill con-  
27 tinues statewide maintenance responsibilities essentially  
28 unchanged from current responsibilities, therefore there is  
29 no fiscal impact.

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