

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE LEGISLATURE,

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STATE OF MAINE,

DURING ITS SESSION

A. D. 1834.

FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE.

NO. 15.

HOUSE.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED
AND THIRTY-FOUR.

An Act relative to Broad Rimmed Wheels.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and
2 House of Representatives in Legislature as-
3 sembled, That every inhabitant of this State,
4 excepting those residing on the islands therein,
5 who shall before the first day of April in the
6 year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
7 and thirty five, procure and become the owner
8 of a pair of iron bound ox-cart or wagon wheels
9 with felloes not less than six inches wide, or a*

10 double horse wagon, with wheels not less than
11 four inches wide, shall on exhibiting to the
12 Treasurer of the town or plantation where such
13 owner resides, satisfactory evidence thereof, be
14 entitled to receive out of the treasury of said
15 town or plantation, a bounty of six dollars, for
16 said ox-cart or wagon wheels—*Provided*, That
17 no more than one bounty shall be paid on the
18 same pair of wheels, nor to any person who
19 manufactured or altered them for the purpose of
20 sale and not for his own use.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That after
2 the first day of April in the year of our Lord
3 one thousand eight hundred and thirty six, no
4 person shall use on the common or public high-
5 ways in this State, except on the highways in
6 the islands therein, any ox-cart or wagon wheels
7 of less width than is specified in the first section
8 of this Act, or unbound, under a penalty of ten
9 dollars for each time he shall so use a pair of
10 said wheels of less width than aforesaid, and
11 for each pair he may so use. But the penalty
12 shall not be incurred by any person in using or
13 causing to be used any wheels on or about a
14 farm for ordinary purposes of farming, nor by

15 any persons who do not have loads exceeding
16 one thousand pounds in any ox-cart or wagon.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That it
2 shall be the duty of the town Treasurer in each
3 town and plantation, to pay to the persons, who
4 are entitled thereto, the bounties herein provided
5 for, to keep an accurate account thereof, and on
6 exhibiting to the Treasurer of the State his said
7 account and satisfactory vouchers for said pay-
8 ments, he shall be entitled to receive to the use
9 of said town, from said State Treasurer, and it
10 shall be the duty of said State Treasurer to
11 pay him, the amount so paid and satisfactorily
12 vouched for.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That the
2 several towns and plantations in this State be
3 and they hereby are authorized to raise and as-
4 sess upon the polls and estates of the inhabitants
5 thereof, and the non-resident proprietors of
6 lands within the same, respectively, sufficient
7 money from time to time as may be necessary
8 for the purpose of paying the bounties aforesaid.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That it
2 shall be the duty of the persons claiming said
3 bounty to make out and deliver to the Treasur-
4 er of whom he may demand any bounty, a cer-

5 tificate particularly describing the wheels for
6 which he may demand the bounty, stating
7 among other things, where, when, and by whom
8 they were made and of whom he bought them;
9 and it shall be the duty of said town Treasurer
10 to see that it is correct, so far as it may be in
11 his power and he shall keep said certificate on
12 the files in his office.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted,* That if
2 any person shall knowingly make any false state-
3 ment in said certificate or shall knowingly de-
4 mand and receive any bounty or any part there-
5 of, on any pair of wheels on which a bounty had
6 before been paid by any town or plantation
7 Treasurer, the person so receiving it or any part
8 thereof shall forfeit and pay treble the amount
9 of the bounty which or any part of which
10 was received, for the obtaining of which any
11 such certificate containing such false statements
12 was made.

SECT. 7. *Be it further enacted,* That the
2 forfeitures and penalties herein provided for,
3 shall be demanded sued for and recovered by
4 any one of the Snrveyors of Highways, Select-
5 men, or Town Clerk, or any one of the Asses-

6 sors or Plantation Clerks of the town or plant-
7 ation in which any wheels may be used, contrary
8 to the provisions of this Act, and all sums so
9 received shall, after deducting the necessary and
10 actual expenses of the prosecution, be paid over
11 by the person so receiving and recovering the
12 same to the Treasurer of the town or plantation
13 in which he lives, of which said Treasurer shall
14 render a true account to the town at its annual
15 meeting in March or April, and which shall be
16 applied by said town or plantation in the man-
17 ner it may prescribe for the repairs of the high-
18 ways therein.

STATE OF MAINE.

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 3, 1834. }**

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