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To State Highway Commission  
Re: Qualification for Aid under New Act

. . . You ask our interpretation of Chapter 145, Public Laws of 1927, as to whether or not towns must cut the bushes during the calendar years of 1927 in order to entitle towns to third class apportionment in 1928.

The act in question provides:

"It is further provided that such towns shall have in the year next preceding cut and removed all trees, shrubs, and useless fruit trees, bushes and weeds, except shade trees, timber treesm cared-for fruit trees, and ornamental shrubs, growing between the road limit and the wrought part of any improved section of state highway, state aid highway and third class road locations."

This act was approved April 12, 1927, and became effective July 16th. It appears to us that the act is mandatory and makes it necessary that the towns comply with its provisions this year, namely, to cut the bushes, weeds, etc., in order to be entitled to third class highway money for 1928.

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