

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 943**

H. P. 725 House of Representatives, February 20, 1969  
Referred to Committee on Highways. Sent up for concurrence and 1,000  
ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Evans of Freedom.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-NINE

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### AN ACT Relating to Winter Maintenance of State Aid Highways by Municipalities.

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

R. S., T. 23, § 1005, amended. The first 4 paragraphs of section 1005 of Title 23 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 438 of the public laws of 1967, are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

1. Reimbursement. Municipalities and unincorporated townships which clear state aid highways and town ways to the satisfaction of the State Highway Commission, and when necessary apply sand, gravel or other materials to a width of not less than 7 feet through the center of the road within a reasonable length of time after the surface of the road becomes slippery, shall be reimbursed for the cost thereof to the extent of \$65 per mile on the highways or town ways designated as provided in section 1002, except where payrolls are submitted and approved and the state valuation is less than \$1,000,000.

A. If the state valuation is \$200,000 or less, the municipalities and unincorporated townships shall bear 14% of cost thereof but not to exceed \$40 a mile, and reimbursement shall be made to said municipalities and townships accordingly.

B. If the state valuation is more than \$200,000 but does not exceed \$300,000, the municipalities and unincorporated townships shall bear 18% of cost thereof but not to exceed \$50 a mile, and reimbursement shall be made to said municipalities and townships accordingly.

C. If the state valuation is more than \$300,000 but does not exceed \$400,000, the municipalities and unincorporated townships shall bear 22% of cost thereof but not to exceed \$60 a mile, and reimbursement shall be made to said municipalities and townships accordingly.

D. If the state valuation is more than \$400,000 but does not exceed \$500,000, the municipalities and unincorporated townships shall bear 28% of cost thereof, and reimbursement shall be made to said municipalities and townships accordingly.

E. If the state valuation is more than \$500,000 but does not exceed \$600,000, the municipalities and unincorporated townships shall bear 34% of cost thereof, and reimbursement shall be made to said municipalities and townships accordingly.

F. If the state valuation is more than \$600,000 but does not exceed \$700,000, the municipalities and unincorporated townships shall bear 43% of cost thereof, and reimbursement shall be made to said municipalities and townships accordingly.

G. If the state valuation is more than \$700,000 but does not exceed \$800,000, the municipalities and unincorporated townships shall bear 54% of cost thereof, and reimbursement shall be made to said municipalities and townships accordingly.

H. If the state valuation is more than \$800,000 but does not exceed \$900,000, the municipalities and unincorporated townships shall bear 67% of cost thereof, and reimbursement shall be made to said municipalities and townships accordingly.

I. If the state valuation is more than \$900,000 but less than \$1,000,000, the municipalities and unincorporated townships shall bear 84% of cost thereof, and reimbursements shall be made to said municipalities and townships accordingly.

J. In no case shall the amount of reimbursement to said municipalities and unincorporated townships be less than \$65 per mile on said highways or town ways.

K. All payrolls for the seasons' snow removal work on routes designated in section 1002 are to be received at the office of the commission monthly, on or before the 15th day of each month, and the final payroll on or before May 1st, following the winter in which the work is done.

2. Accidents. The State or the town shall not be liable for accidents while the road surface is covered with snow or ice.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

It is estimated that this Act will cost about \$100,000 per year from the General Highway Fund.