

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1451

H. P. 1060

House of Representatives, March 10, 1971

Speaker laid before the House Unfinished Business. Referred to the Committee on Taxation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Curtis of Orono.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT to Reimburse Certain Municipalities for Property Taxes Lost on Exempt Property Owned by the State.

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

R. S., T. 36, § 651, sub-§ 1, ¶ B, amended. Paragraph B of subsection 1 of section 651 of Title 36 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end 2 new sentences to read as follows:

Any municipality granting exemptions under this section shall have a valid claim against the State to recover 50% of the taxes lost by reason of said exemptions as exceeds 20% of the total tax levy, upon proof of the facts in form satisfactory to the Commissioner of Finance and Administration. Said claims shall be presented to the Legislature next convening.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Some municipalities are impacted areas because a large portion of their property is state-owned and exempt from property taxes. This bill would provide relief for those communities with the greatest burden.