

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1646

H. P. 1195

House of Representatives, March 17, 1971

Referred to Committee on Taxation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Morrell of Brunswick.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Distribution of Certain Taxes to Municipalities.

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

R. S., T. 36, § 656-A, additional. Title 36 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 656-A to read as follows:

§ 656-A. Distribution of certain taxes to municipalities

Each municipality shall have a valid claim against the State to recover 100% of the taxes lost by reason of the granting of any further exemption in addition to the present exemptions granted in section 651, subsection 1, paragraphs B, B-1, F and G; section 652, section 654, section 656, subsection 1, paragraphs B, C, D, E and F and Title 30, section 4983. Such claims shall be presented to the Treasurer of State by the first day of September each year and the Treasurer of State shall pay to the municipalities all such claims out of general revenues by the first day of December of such year.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would relieve the municipalities of any further financial burdens placed upon them by reason of the Legislature enacting further exemptions from the property tax. The revenue loss to municipalities caused by new exemptions granted by the Legislature would be paid back to the municipalities out of the General Fund.