

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 748

H. P. 569

House of Representatives, February 8, 1973

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Huber of Falmouth.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT to Increase Payments to Forestry Department for Forest Fire Protection in Indian Township.

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

R. S., T. 22, § 4834, amended. The last sentence of the first paragraph of section 4834 of Title 22 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by chapter 217 of the public laws of 1969, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

From the gross income from the sale of timber and grass the Forest Commissioner shall make payment to the Treasurer of State to be allotted to the Forestry Department on the basis of the state-wide annual per acre expenditure for forest fire protection for the last fiscal year for all lands within Indian Township not already paying a Maine Forestry District tax for the prevention, control and extinguishment of forest fires.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide for collection from Indian Township timber and grass sales of up-to-date and proportionate state-wide costs of forest fire protection. The existing statute calls for payment of 6¢ per acre regardless of actual costs. The cost for the fiscal year 1972 was 12.9 cents. This bill will avoid biennial request for statutory change.