

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 1217

House of Representatives, March 26, 1975

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Talbot of Portland.

Cosponsor: Mr. Mulkern of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Permit Municipalities to Collect Service Charges in Lieu of Taxes from Tax Exempt Institutions and Organizations.

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

36 MRSA § 652, sub-§ 1, ¶ L is enacted to read:

L. None of the provisions of this section shall prevent a municipality from levying service charges in lieu of taxes upon institutions and organizations whose real property is exempt under this section, when such charges are for municipal services to such property, including

- (1) fire protection;
- (2) police protection;
- (3) road maintenance and construction;
- (4) water and sewer services.

Municipalities may adopt ordinances to carry out the provisions of this paragraph.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this Act is to provide that municipalities may charge institutions and organizations, such as Chambers of Commerce, churches and fraternal organizations, whose real property is exempt from property taxation, for services which the town provides in connection with the property, such as fire and police protection, road maintenance, and water and sewer services.