

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

(EMERGENCY)

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 508

H. P. 396

House of Representatives, February 16, 1977

On motion of Mr. Carey of Waterville, referred to Committee on Taxation.
Sent up for concurrence and 2,000 ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Blodgett of Waldoboro.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

**AN ACT to Reduce the Uniform Property Tax Required for Education
to 9 Mills.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the property tax rate shall take effect on July 1, 1977; and

Whereas, a property tax rate of 12.5 mills constitutes an oppressive burden on Maine communities; and

Whereas, it is in the best interest of Maine communities to establish a lower property tax rate prior to July 1, 1977; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

36 MRSA § 451, sub-§ 2, 3rd sentence, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 660, § 5, is amended to read:

The uniform property tax rate shall be 13 mills for the period beginning July 1, 1976, and ending June 30, 1977, and ~~12.5~~ 9 mills thereafter.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.