

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 1951

H. P. 1894

Office of the Clerk of the House

The Committee on Agriculture suggested. Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Perkins of Blue Hill.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-EIGHT

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AN ACT to Provide a Lower Registration Fee under the Transportation of Christmas Tree Statutes.

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

32 MRSA § 4451, 3rd sentence, as amended by PL 1977, c. 567, § 1, is further amended to read:

The annual fee for such registration, when obtained from the Forestry Bureau, shall be ~~\$11~~ \$1 payable to the Treasurer of State and credited to the General Fund; and if such registration is obtained from any municipal clerk, the annual fee shall be ~~\$12~~ \$1.50, ~~\$11~~ \$1 of which shall be payable to the Treasurer of State and credited to the General Fund, and ~~\$1~~ 50¢ shall be retained by the clerk for the service of issuing the certificates of registration.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The increase in the registration fee passed in the first regular session has caused a great hardship to persons and organizations who gather boughs and trees on a small scale to earn money for civic organizations or clubs. The high fee is an extreme burden on these persons whose income from the sale of the boughs or trees, or products made from them, is relatively low. This bill would reduce that fee to one which can reasonably be paid by these individuals and organizations.