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1 (After Deadline)
2 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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4 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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6 Legislative Document

No. 1475

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8 H.P. 1023

House of Representatives, May 9, 1985

9 Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council
10 pursuant to Joint Rule 27.

11 Reference to the Committee on Business and Commerce suggested and
ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

12 Presented by Representative Mayo of Thomaston.
Cosponsored by Senator Chalmers of Knox.

13 STATE OF MAINE
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15 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
16 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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18 AN ACT Concerning Exemptions to Licensing
19 Requirements for Tree Removal.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 32 MRSA §2051-A, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 166,
24 §3, is amended to read:

25 §2051-A. Exemptions to licensing requirements for
26 tree removal in municipalities of under
27 3,500 persons

28 A municipality having a population of fewer than
29 ~~2,500~~ 3,500 persons may adopt, amend or repeal an or-
30 dinance regulating and permitting the removal of
31 trees without an arborist's license, as otherwise re-
32 quired under section 2051. The ordinance may autho-
33 rize the municipal officers to issue a permit to a
34 person to remove trees in the municipality without an
35 arborist's license. The ordinance may establish qual-

1 ifications and conditions of financial responsibility
2 for the permittee, provided those qualifications and
3 conditions do not exceed those required for an
4 arborist's license under this subchapter.

5 A permit issued under a municipal ordinance shall
6 state the name of the permittee, the location and
7 number of trees to be removed, the date on which the
8 trees shall be removed and any other restrictions
9 which the municipal officers or their designee deem
10 necessary to ensure the safe and responsible removal
11 of the trees. The ordinance may provide for a fee for
12 the issuance of permits which is reasonable and nec-
13 essary to cover the expenses of issuing permits and
14 otherwise administering this section.

15 STATEMENT OF FACT

16 The purpose of this bill is to amend the law
17 dealing with exemptions to licensing requirements for
18 tree removal to increase the size of municipalities
19 which may enact those exemptions from 2,500 to 3,500.

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