

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
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5 Legislative Document

NO. 23  
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7 H.P. 26 House of Representatives, January 20, 1987  
8 Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and  
ordered printed.

9 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk  
10 Presented by Representative Paradis of Augusta.

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12 STATE OF MAINE  
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN  
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17 AN ACT to Extend Immunity from Civil  
18 Liability for the Unlawful Cutting of  
19 Trees to Municipal Employees Acting  
20 within the Course and Scope of their  
21 Employment.  
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23 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
24 follows:

25 17 MRSA §2510, sub-§1, ¶C, as enacted by PL 1981,  
26 c. 355, is amended to read:

27 C. Licensed arborists ~~in removing street trees~~  
28 ~~or property line trees~~ under contract with a mu-  
29 nicipality or private individual, ~~or in removing~~  
30 ~~blowdown trees in emergencies~~ municipal employees  
31 acting within the course and scope of their em-  
32 ployment, in removing street trees or property  
33 line trees under ordinary circumstances or blown  
34 down trees in emergencies; and

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STATEMENT OF FACT

2        This bill seeks to relieve a municipal employee  
3 from civil liability and resulting forfeitures when,  
4 in the performance of his job, he fells a tree or  
5 trees. That immunity is already granted to arborists  
6 under contract with a municipality.

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