

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 120th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2001

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Legislative Document

No. 493

S.P. 149

In Senate, February 6, 2001

**An Act to Require the Department of Transportation to Coordinate with  
Municipalities Regarding Landscaping and Planting.**

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Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GAGNON of Kennebec.  
Cosponsored by Representative WHEELER of Eliot and  
Senators: DAGGETT of Kennebec, KILKELLY of Lincoln, SAVAGE of Knox, TREAT of  
Kennebec, Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, COWGER of Hallowell, LEMOINE  
of Old Orchard Beach, O'BRIEN of Augusta.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §951**, as amended by PL 1979, c. 316, §1, is  
further amended to read:

6 **§951. Planting**

8 The department may cause or allow grasses, shrubs, vines and  
trees to be planted and maintained along state and state aid  
10 highways, to be paid for as part of the cost of ~~construction~~  
construction and maintenance of highways. The department shall  
12 consult with the recognized tree board or tree warden of a  
municipality concerning the planting along a state or state aid  
14 highway within that municipality.

16 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill requires the Department of Transportation to  
20 consult with a municipality concerning planting done along state  
and state aid highways within that municipality.