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House of Representatives, February 7, 2017

**An Act To Amend the Exemption for Highway Contractors and
Subcontractors under the Arborist Licensing Laws**

Reference to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative THERIAULT of China.
Cosponsored by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec and
Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, FARRIN of Norridgewock, KINNEY of Knox,
PICCHIOTTI of Fairfield, WARD of Dedham.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §2174, sub-§5**, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 84, §3, is amended to
3 read:

4 **5. Others.** Highway contractors, subcontractors and their employees who ~~remove~~
5 remain on the ground while removing trees during the performance of contracts for the
6 construction or maintenance of highways and general contractors who remove interfering
7 shade or ornamental trees or interfering parts of shade or ornamental trees in the conduct
8 of their regular business.

9 **SUMMARY**

10 Currently, highway contractors and subcontractors who remove trees during the
11 performance of contracts for the construction or maintenance of highways are exempt
12 from the laws governing arborists. This bill provides that those contractors and
13 subcontractors must remain on the ground when removing trees to be exempt from those
14 laws.