

Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 23.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-NINE.

AN ACT to provide for sprinkling streets in the city of Deering.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives m Legislature assembled, as follows:

Section 1. Upon petition of at least one-half of the tax-2 payers residing on any street or part of street in the city of 3 Deering or Portland, or upon petition of property owners 4 representing at least one-half of the property abutting any 5 street or part of street in the city of Deering the board of 6 aldermen shall cause said street to be sprinkled.

Sect. 2. For the purpose of defraying the expense of 2 sprinkling any street or part of street in accordance with 3 section one of this act, the board of aldermen shall levy a

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4 special tax against all abutting property where sprinkled, not 5 to exceed five cents per lineal foot, provided that said assess-6 ment shall not exceed two-thirds of the cost of sprinkling 7 said street or part thereof, and further provided that one-8 third of the cost of sprinkling any street or part of street 9 occupied by any railroad company with a single track shall 10 be assessed against said company and where occupied by 11 double tracks shall be assessed one-half of said cost, and said 12 assessment shall constitute a lien against all property so 13 assessed until paid.

Sect. 3. On the first day of April each year the board of 2 aldermen shall advertise for proposals for sprinkling streets 3 on such basis as said board may adopt, and to the lowest 4 responsible bidder award the contract. Provided that said 5 board may enter into a contract for a term of years.

Sect. 4. If in the judgment of the board of aldermen 2 any property assessed in accordance with section two of this 3 act is in no way benefited thereby, said tax or part thereof 4 may be abated.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

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IN SENATE, February 6, 1899.

On motion by Mr. REYNOLDS of Cumberland, laid on table to be printed, pending reference in concurrence to Committee on Legal Affairs.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.