

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

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No. 676

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend Sections 58 and 59 of Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes regarding roads in unincorporated town-

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows !

Section 1. Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes is hereby 2 amended by repealing Section 58 of said chapter and insert-3 ing in place thereof the following:

'Sect. 58. Said county commissioners, in September, an-5 nually, by one or more of their board, shall make an inspec-6 tion of all county roads and other roads originally located 7 as town roads in the unincorporated townships and tracts 8 of land in their counties, and shall thereupon make an esti-

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9 mate of the amount needed to put them in repair, so as to be 10 safe and convenient for public travel, and assess thereon 11 not exceeding two per cent. of the valuation thereof, and 12 shall assess on the county the balance of said amount if 13 said assessment of two per cent. is not sufficient to properly 14 repair said roads; and they shall make as many divisions as 15 are equitable, conforming as nearly as is convenient to 16 known divisions and separate ownerships, and shall assess 17 upon each a sum proportionate to the value thereof; and 18 cause so much thereof as they deem necessary for the pur-19 pose aforesaid, to be expended on said roads within one 20 year thereafter, which assessment shall create a lien thereon 21 for the payment thereof. They shall make such assessment 22 by the first day of each January, and at the same time ap-23 point an agent or agents, skilled in road building, not mem-24 bers of their board, to superintend the expenditure thereof, 25 who shall give bonds as provided in section fifty-six; and 26 they shall publish a list of townships and tracts of land so 27 assessed, with the sums so assessed on each, and the roads 28 on which it is to be expended, in some paper printed in the 29 county where the lands lie, three weeks successively, the last 30 publication to be within three months from the date of the 31 assessment.'

Sect. 2. Section 59 of chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes 2 is hereby repealed.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 18, 1909.

Reported by Mr. WING from Committee on Taxation and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.