

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 32

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to Improve the Public Highways of Maine by Regulating the Width of Tires Upon Wagons Made for Carrying Heavy Loads.

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

Section 1. That on and after the first day of February, 2 1912, all wagons for the purpose of carrying freight, mer- 3 chandise and farm products, to be drawn by two or more 4 horses, shall be equipped with flat tires not less than four 5 inches wide, where the same are to be used by any person 6 upon any of the public highways of this State outside of 7 paved or macadamized streets of cities and towns.

Sect. 2. The proper municipal authorities of cities and

2 towns, having within their limits paved or macadamized
3 streets, are hereby authorized and empowered to regulate
4 the width of tires upon such wagons used upon such paved
5 or macadamized streets.

Sect. 3. All wheelwrights, blacksmiths and others plac-
2 ing tires of less than four inches on wagons described in
3 section one of this act, except such as are to be used on
4 paved or macadamized streets, after said first day of Feb-
5 ruary, 1912, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon
6 conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than five
7 dollars nor more than ten dollars for each offense.

Sect. 4. Any person desiring to use a wagon or wagons
2 with tires less than four inches wide, for the purpose of
3 carrying freight, merchandise and farm products, to be
4 drawn by two or more horses, after said first day of Feb-
5 ruary, 1912, upon any of the highways of this State, other
6 than paved or macadamized streets, shall first pay to the
7 clerk of the town or city wherein said wagon or wagons is
8 or are to be used a license fee of ten dollars for each and
9 every wagon to be so used. The said clerk shall issue a
10 license to such party allowing him to use said wagon or
11 wagons for the term of one year. The money received by
12 said clerk for such licenses shall forthwith be turned over
13 to the treasurer of his town or city and said money shall be
14 expended on the roads in said town or city as a part of the
15 highway appropriation.

Sect. 5. Any person who violates any ordinances made
2 in pursuance of section two of this act, shall be guilty of
3 a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by
4 a fine of not less than five dollars nor more than twenty-
5 five dollars for each offence.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect on the first day of Feb-
2 ruary, A. D. 1912.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE,

January 19, 1909

Came from the House referred to the Committee on State Lands and State Roads and on motion by Mr. MILLIKEN of Aroostook, laid on the table for printing pending reference in concurrence.

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary*.