

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 127

In Senate, Jan. 30, 1913.

Came from the House referred to the Committee on Judiciary, and on motion by Senator Hersey of Aroostook laid on the table for printing pending reference in concurrence.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to prohibit the use of automobiles on public roads in
the Town of Islesboro.

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

Section 1. No automobile or motor vehicle shall be set up,
2 used, driven or operated in or on any highway, townway
3 or public street within the town of Islesboro in the county
4 of Waldo, state of Maine.

Sect. 2. Whoever sets up, uses, drives or operates any
2 automobile or motor vehicle contrary to the provisions of
3 section one hereof, shall on first conviction be punished by
4 a fine of twenty dollars and costs of prosecution, and on

5 second and every subsequent conviction shall be punished
6 by a fine of fifty dollars and costs of prosecution, or by
7 imprisonment for not exceeding sixty days, or by both fine
8 and imprisonment.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Islesboro, Maine, Sept. 20, 1912.

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives, in the
Legislature assembled:*

Gentlemen:—Together with this letter, we are handing you two petitions against the use of automobiles and auto vehicles on the island of Islesboro.

One petition is signed by the non-resident owners and taxpayers of the town of Islesboro, county of Waldo, state of Maine, and the other by the resident owners of the town of Islesboro, county of Waldo, state of Maine.

The island of Islesboro is a long, narrow island, lying in the middle of Penobscot Bay, about seven miles from Camden in an easterly direction. It is approached only by water, and passage takes about one and one-quarter hours from Rockland. The roads are narrow with deep ditches, and on account of the smallness and narrowness of the island, there are only a few of them,—so that the use of automobiles on the island is unnecessary—the island being only about twelve miles long, and varying slightly in width from one-half mile, wider and narrower.

We, therefore, feel that automobiles and auto vehicles of any kind, would be a serious menace to the island and to the safety of the people, and not necessary for the inhabitants.

At a meeting of the town, held in August last, there were about sixty voters against automobiles, and only five in favor of them.

We hope you will be able to grant these petitions, and will impose a fine of \$100, or imprisonment (not to exceed thirty days) on any violation of the law.

Yours truly,

M. R. TRIM,
A. A. PENDLETON,
C. E. KIMBALL,

Selectmen of Islesboro.