

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE NO. 238

House of Representatives, Feb. 17, 1915.

Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Corliss of Bath.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT for the prevention of Forest Fires.

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

Section 1. Any person who conducts any lumbering operations, or cuts or fells any growing trees or stumpage, or cuts or manufactures logs or lumber, upon any wood lot within the limits of any incorporated city or town, and within one mile of any dwelling house, summer cottage, or other building, shall, at least once in every six months during the continuance of such operation, cutting or manufacturing, and within thirty days after the final completion thereof, thoroughly clear up such wood lot by burning, or

10 otherwise destroying, or removing, all tops, limbs and down
11 wood.

Sect. 2. Any person who shall violate any provision of
2 this act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon convic-
3 tion thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than
4 twenty-five nor more than one hundred dollars, or by im-
5 prisonment in the county jail for not less than thirty nor
6 more than ninety days; and it shall be the duty of the county
7 attorney of the county in which any such violation occurs,
8 to prosecute all such persons.

Sect. 3. The word "person" as used in this act shall be
2 construed to import both the singular and the plural, as the
3 case demands, and shall include corporations, companies,
4 societies and associations. When construing and enforce-
5 ing the provisions of this act, the neglect, omission or fail-
6 ure of any officer, agent, or other person acting for or em-
7 powered by any corporation, company, society or associa-
8 tion, within the scope of his employment or office, shall in
9 every case be also deemed to be the neglect, omission or
10 failure of such corporation, company, society or association,
11 as well as that of the person.

Sect. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this
2 act are hereby repealed.