

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 956

House of Representatives, March 26, 1915.

*Reported by Mr. Conners from Committee on Judiciary and
ordered printed under joint rules.*

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Section seventeen of Chapter seventy-one
of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-
one incorporating the City of Old Town.

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

Section 1. That section seventeen of chapter seventy-one,
2 private and special laws of eighteen hundred ninety-one is
3 hereby amended by striking out the word "may" in the 14th
4 line of said section and inserting in the place thereof the
5 following: 'not less than one-half the cost of construction
6 shall,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 17. The city council may regulate the height, width
8 and material of any sidewalk in any public square, place,

9 street, walk, lane, court or alley in said city. The city shall
10 not be answerable for any damage to person or property
11 by reason of or resulting from trees planted or growing
12 along its streets or ways, or posts of wood, stone or other
13 material set or maintained by authority of said city or its
14 proper officers along said streets or ways, or any poles or
15 wires erected or strung in or along said streets or ways for
16 the transmission of heat, light, power or intelligence by
17 electricity. Sidewalks may be with or without edgestones;
18 and the expense of edgestones if used, and of the covering
19 material, if of concrete or brick, or such proportion of said
20 expense as the city council may direct, not less than one-
21 half the cost of construction shall be assessed upon the
22 abutting lands in just proportions, and be collected in the
23 same manner as damages for laying out, widening or other-
24 wise altering, or discontinuing a street or way, are assessed
25 upon abutting lands and collected.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved by a
2 majority of the legal voters of the City of Old Town at the
3 next regular annual election to be held in said City of Old
4 Town on the third Monday of March, A. D., nineteen hun-
5 dred and sixteen.