

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 348

In Senate, March 13, 1915.

*Reported by Senator Conant from Committee on Ways and
Bridges and ordered printed under joint rules.*

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to provide for the permanent improvement of land
within the limit of any highway or townway adjoining any
land not known as wild land.

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

Section 1. Each city, town or plantation shall each year
2 set aside 5% of the money raised and appropriated for
3 ways and bridges to be used in cutting and removing all
4 trees, shrubs and useless fruit trees, bushes and weeds (ex-
5 cept shade trees, timber trees, cared-for fruit trees, and
6 ornamental shrubs) growing between the road limit and
7 the wrought part of said highway or townway until all the
8 trees, shrubs and worthless fruit trees, bushes and weeds,

9 have been once removed from the limits of highway, after
10 which the owner of the land adjoining any highway or town-
11 way, shall each year before the first day of October, re-
12 move all bushes, weeds, worthless trees and grass from the
13 roadside adjoining his cultivated or mowing fields. The
14 town to care for all land not included in the above except
15 wild land.

Sect. 2. If any owner of such land shall fail to cut and
2 remove said bushes, weeds, worthless trees and grass, on or
3 before October first of each year, the Mayor of any city,
4 selectmen of any town, or assessors of any plantation where-
5 in said land may be located, shall cause said bushes, weeds,
6 grass and worthless trees to be cut and removed. The ac-
7 tual expense of such cutting and removal shall be lien upon
8 said land so adjoining said highway or townway, and shall
9 be assessed and collected as a tax thereon.

Sect. 3. If any city, town or plantation in the construc-
2 tion or repair of its highways places any stone, sods or other
3 material upon land within the limit of any highway which
4 the owner has cleared from stone and smoothed so it will be
5 tillable land and so used, said city, town or plantation shall
6 within thirty days remove the same from such land. Fail-
7 ing to do this the owner of said land may remove such stone,
8 sods or other material therefrom and be paid the same price
9 per hour for such removal as is paid by said city, town or
10 plantation for labor in the construction and repair of its
11 roads.