

EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 25

In Senate, January 27, 1921.

Referred to Committee on Taxation and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

L. ERNEST THORNTON, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Baxter of Sagadahoc.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Taxation of Street Railroad Corporations During the Years Nineteen Twenty-one, Nineteen Twentytwo and Nineteen Twenty-three.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows: Section thirty-two of chapter nine of the revised statutes
2 is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the
3 following: 'Provided, however, that during the years nine4 teen twenty-two and nineteen twenty-three no annual ex5 cise tax shall be assessed against any such corporation or
6 association in excess of the amount assessed against and
7 paid by such corporation or association, or by the corpora8 tion or association operating the same railroad, in the year

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9 nineteen hundred seventeen; and provided also that any 10 such annual excise tax received by the state from any such 11 corporation or association during the year nineteen twenty-12 one in excess of the amount of the annual excise tax as-13 sessed against and paid by such corporation or association, 14 or the corporation or association operating the same rail-15 road, in the year nineteen seventeen shall be paid by the 16 state to the treasurer of such corporation or association for 17 its use, said payment to be made on or before the first day 18 of October, nineteen twenty-one;' so that said section as 19 amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 32. Street railroad corporations and associations 2 are subject to the seven preceding sections and to section 3 four of chapter ten except that the annual excise tax shall 4 be ascertained as follows: When the gross average re-5 ceipts per mile do not exceed one thousand dollars the tax 6 shall be equal to one-fourth of one per cent on the gross 7 transportation receipts; and for each thousand dollars ad-8 ditional gross receipts per mile, or fractional part thereof, 9 the rate shall be increased one-fourth of one per cent, pro-10 vided that the rate shall in no case exceed four per cent.

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7 hundred seventeen; and provided also that any such annual 8 excise tax received by the state from any such corporation 9 or association during the year nineteen twenty-one in ex-10 cess of the amount of the annual excise tax assessed against 11 and paid by such corporation or association, or the cor-12 poration or association operating the same railroad, in the 13 year nineteen seventeen shall be paid by the state to the 14 treasurer of such corporation or association for its use, 15 said payment to be made on or before the first day of Octo-16 ber, nineteen twenty-one.'