

EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 47

In Senate, February 10, 1921.

Referred to Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation 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 to Provide for the Better Protection of Owners of Property Adjacent to Portable Mills.

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

Section I. All firms, persons and corporations who by 2 themselves, their agents, servants, licensees, permittees, or 3 lessees, operate or permit operation of portable saw mills 4 in this state shall file in the office of the forest commissioner 5 for the benefit of owners of land liable to be injured by fire, 6 or otherwise, in the operation of said mill, a good and 7 sufficient bond to be approved by said commissioner and 8 in such sum as he may direct and such bond shall be given

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9 to said forest commissioner as trustee of said firms, per-10 sons or corporations, for each and all of said owners, and 11 shall be conditioned for the payment of any judgment ren-12 dered by a court of competent jurisdiction against said 13 firms, persons, corporations for any damage caused by fire 14 or otherwise in the operation of said mill (or by the cutting 15 of logs to be manufactured at said mill).

Upon the breach of condition of such bond, said forest 2 commissioner shall upon application by any owner pro-3 tected by said bond and whose judgment has remained un-4 paid for more than thirty days, institute proceedings there-5 on in his name as trustee for the benefit of such land owners 6 for the recovery of said judgment.

Sect. 2. All such firms, persons and corporations who neg-2 lect or refuse to comply with any provision of the preced-3 ing section shall be fined, not more than \$10.00 with costs, 4 for each day's neglect or refusal.