

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 21

House of Representatives, Jan. 31, 1923.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Bridges and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Oakes of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Chapter Two Hundred Eleven, Section
Forty-nine, of the Laws of Nineteen Hundred Twenty-one.

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

Chapter two hundred eleven, section forty-nine, of the
2 laws of nineteen hundred twenty-one is hereby amended
3 by striking out the word "eighteen" in the third line there-
4 of and inserting in place thereof the words 'twenty-six,'
5 so that said section as amended shall read:

'Sect. 49. Weight of commercial vehicles limited. No
2 truck, tractor on wheels, trailer or other commercial vehicle
3 having a gross weight of more than twenty-six thousand
4 pounds distributed by four wheels on a road surface or

5 having a gross weight on any one axle exceeding thirteen
6 thousand, five hundred pounds imparted to a road surface,
7 shall be operated over any way or bridge; except that when
8 the gross weight is distributed on the road surface upon
9 six or more wheels by the combined use of a trailer or
10 otherwise, so that the imparted weight from any one axle
11 shall not exceed thirteen thousand, five hundred pounds,
12 the permissible gross weight of a vehicle or vehicles thus
13 combined may be increased not exceeding fifty per cent.
14 But no vehicle having a load of over seven hundred pounds
15 per inch width of tire upon any wheel concentrated upon
16 the road surface, said width to be measured between the
17 flanges of the rim, shall be operated upon any way or bridge;
18 except in special cases under special permit to be granted
19 by the commission for greater weights as elsewhere pro-
20 vided in this act. The term "gross weight" shall mean the
21 actual weight of the vehicle and load.'