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House of Representatives, Feb. 1, 1933.

On motion of Mr. Sanborn of Baldwin tabled pending reference to a committee. 500 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hancock of Casco.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE

AN ACT Relative to the Auxiliary State Forest.

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

Section I. R. S. c. II, § 84, amended. Section 84 of chapter II of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 84. Appraisal of land for taxation. State, town and plantation assessors shall, for the purpose of taxing auxiliary state forests, appraise only the land, which shall be appraised at the same valuation as stripped forest land in the same vicinity; provided, however, that such valuation shall not exceed two four dollars per acre, independent of any great pond therein.'

Sec. 2. R. S. c. 11, § 86, amended. Section 86 of c. 11 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 86. Taxation. All persons, firms or corporations owning auxiliary state forests, and who are engaged in the business of cutting trees therefrom for market or manufacture shall pay to the various cities, towns and plantations, where the land from which said trees so cut is located, a tax of of one half of one per eent, if cut during the first year, two per cent if cut during the second year, three per cent if cut during the third year, four per cent if cut during the fourth year, 5% if cut during the fifth year, and thereafter upon the stumpage value of all trees so cut and during the year ending the 1st day of April the value of the stumpage so cut, and shall

make a return to the assessors each year stating the amount of each kind of wood or timber cut during the preceding year ending April 1st, together with the estimated stumpage value or actual stumpage price received therefor.'

- Sec. 3. R. S. c. 11, § 88, amended. Section 88 of c. 11 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 88. Not more than 10% of town area may be admitted in one year. Provided, however, that in any 1 year not more than 10% of the area of a town can be admitted as a part of the auxiliary state forests of the state. if the assessors of said town file a protest with the forest commissioner within ten days from the date of application for admission.'