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Reported by Senator Sanborn of Cumberland, from the Committee on Administrative Code and 500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary of the Senate.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY

AN ACT Relating to Payment of Accounts to the State.

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

- P. L., 1931, c. 216, Art. II., additional. Article II of Chapter 216 of the public laws of 1931 is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a new section to be numbered 15-B and to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 15-B. Payments to be withheld and applied on accounts. If any person, firm, town, county or corporation unreasonably neglects or refuses to pay an account for money due from him or it to or for the use of the state or for the use of any department or agency, the state controller may authorize the treasurer of state to withhold from any funds due such person, firm, town, county or corporation under the provisions of any laws of the state an amount sufficient to pay such account in whole or in part and to apply the amount thus withheld to such payment. Such application shall constitute payment by the state in the amount thus withheld and applied under the provisions of any laws of the state directing payment to such person, firm, town, county or corporation of the funds so withheld and applied. It is hereby expressly provided, however, that funds due to any person, firm, town, county or corporation from the general highway fund shall only be so withheld and applied in payment of accounts due from such per-

son, firm, town, county or corporation to the state for improvement, construction and maintenance of highways and bridges and for snow guards, snow removal and sanding as provided by statute. The method of collection provided by this section shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other remedies afforded by law for proper enforcement of payment.'