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House of Representatives, February 11, 1941.

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Southard of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

**AN ACT Authorizing Cities and Towns to Appropriate Money and Acquire
Lands for Use as Public Parking Places.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 5, § 78, as amended; relating to purposes for which money may be raised, further amended. Section 78 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes as amended by chapter 121 of the public laws of 1931 is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 78. Purposes for which money may be raised. The voters, at a legal town meeting, may raise the necessary sums for the support of schools and the poor; making and repairing highways, town ways, and bridges; and sprinkling streets; **acquiring, improving and repairing land for use as public parking places for motor and other vehicles;** acquiring by purchase or otherwise suitable sites, or suitable sites and buildings, or erecting buildings for free public libraries; repairing and constructing buildings for academies, seminaries or institutes with which the town has a contract as provided in section 92 of chapter 19; purchasing and fencing burying-grounds; maintaining private burying-grounds established before 1880; purchasing or building and repairing a hearse and hearse-house for the exclusive use of its citizens; and for other necessary town charges.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 27, relating to ways, additional. Chapter 27 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 24-A and to read as follows:

'Sec. 24-A. Towns may lay out land for public parking places; provision as to assessment of damages. Towns may lay out land within their corporate limits for use as public parking places for motor and other vehicles and may alter or discontinue such use. All procedure including assessment of damages and appeal therefrom shall be the same as is provided by law for laying out, altering and discontinuing town ways. The words "town" and "towns" as used in this act shall include cities.