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NINETY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Cross of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Third Class Highways, Designated for Improvement, Being Reclassified as State Aid Highways and Providing for Their Construction and Maintenance.

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

- Sec. 1. R. S., c. 28, §§ 44, 45, 46, 47, 49, amended. Sections 44, 45, 46, 47 and 49 of chapter 28 of the revised statutes, as amended, are hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:
- 'Sec. 44. Improvement and reclassification of 3rd class highways. From funds made available by act of the legislature there shall be apportioned among the various towns in accordance with the miles of 3rd class roads maintained therein, as defined in section 5 of chapter 28 of the revised statutes, a second apportionment for the construction of state aid highways; this second apportionment shall be available without a matching appropriation on the part of the town and is to be added to and become a part of the state aid joint fund already provided for by section 21 of chapter 28 of the revised statutes; provided, however, that such towns shall have in the year next preceding, cut and removed all trees, shrubs, and useless fruit trees bushes and weeds, except shade trees, timber trees,

cared-for fruit trees, and ornamental shrubs, growing between the road limit and wrought part of any improved section of state highways and state aid highways. It is further provided that all improved sections of 3rd class highways, constructed under the supervision of the state highway commission, that in its opinion have been suitably maintained or warrant continued maintenance as improved state aid highways shall be reclassified and maintained as state aid highways.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 28, § 18, amended. The 1st sentence of section 18 of chapter 28 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'State aid highways shall be continually maintained under the direction and control of the commission at the joint expense of the state and town in which the same are located; the charge against such town for maintenance of its state aid highways shall not exceed 50% of the actual cost of such maintenance nor an average of \$30 \$45 per mile per year.'