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Presented by Mr. Edwards of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Maintenance of State Highways and State Aid Roads.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 20, § 35, amended. Section 35 of chapter 20 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 35. Third class highways, administration, expenditures, supervision; removal of useless trees, bushes and weeds by towns. The expenditure of money appropriated for the construction of 3rd class roads shall be under the general supervision of the commission, and shall be apportioned among the various towns according to the number of miles of 3rd and 4th class roads maintained therein, as determined by the commission; provided that such towns shall have, prior to November 1st in the year next preceding, cut and remove 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 the wrought part of any improved section of state highway, state aid highway, and 3rd class road locations.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 20, § 46, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 46 of chapter 20 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Improved state highways shall be continually maintained, and the snow

removed from such sections of designated state highways as the commission may determine, under the direction and control of the commission at the joint expense, as hereinafter provided, of the state and the town in which the same are located. The charge against such town for maintenance and snow removal work on its state highways shall be a fixed sum of 100 filo per mile per year, excepting on such sections from which the commission deems it inadvisable to remove the snow therefrom, the charge against the town shall be a fixed sum of 60 from per mile per year for maintenance.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 20, § 50, amended. The 1st sentence of section 50 of chapter 20 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 \$40 per mile per year.'