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ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary. Presented by Senator Cross of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the Transportation of Poles.

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

R. S., c. 19, § 87, amended. Section 87 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 87. Certain vehicles not to be operated on roads and bridges without special permit. No vehicle, engine, contrivance, or object shall be moved upon or over any way or bridge upon wheels, rollers, or otherwise in excess of the lengths or widths or heights or weights prescribed in this chapter without obtaining a permit in accordance with section 89, provided, however, that nothing in this chapter shall prevent the transportation of poles by means of a combination of a tractor and semi-trailer without regard to the overall length of the vehicle and load; nor shall any vehicle, engine, team, or contrivance of whatever weight be moved upon or over any way or bridge which has any flange, rib, clamp, or other object attached to its wheels, or made a part thereof, likely to bruise or injure the surface of such way or bridge, without permit obtained as provided in this chapter. Mowing machines, light farm tractors, not customarily operated over public ways, and other light-weight farming vehicles, are exempted from the provisions of this section. This section shall not be construed to prohibit the use of tire chains of reasonable proportions on vehicles when required for safety because of snow, ice, or other conditions tending to cause such vehicle to slide or skid. Provided, however, that this section shall not apply to ways open to the public, privately owned or maintained, or to the use of such ways by those owning or maintaining them.'