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House of Representatives, March 1, 1949.

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Gates of Millinocket.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-NINE

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**AN ACT Authorizing Cities and Towns to Assess a Charge for the Maintenance of Sewers.**

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

**R. S., c. 80, § 83, sub-§ XX, additional.** Section 83 of chapter 80 of the revised statutes as amended is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new subsection, to be numbered XX, and to read as follows:

**‘XX.** For assessing from time to time upon the lots and parcels of land connected with a sewer, sewer system or sewage disposal plant of said city or town, and against the owner thereof, or persons in possession, or against whom the taxes thereon shall be assessed, whether said person to whom the assessment is so made shall be the owner, tenant, lessee or agent, such sum for the use of said sewer, sewer system or sewage disposal plant, as the municipal officers deem just and reasonable towards defraying the expenses of operation, maintenance and repair of said sewer, sewer system or sewage disposal plant, and the amount of said charge shall bear a reasonable relation to the cost to said city or town of such operation, maintenance and repair and shall be applied thereto. All such assessments shall create a lien upon each and every lot or parcel of land so assessed, and such lien shall be enforced and collected in the manner

provided by chapter 81 for the enforcement and collection of taxes. The provisions of this subsection are not to be construed as revoking, altering or amending any of the present provisions of law for sewer construction assessments, and shall be construed to be in addition to other sewer assessments now lawfully imposed by cities and towns under the provisions of public and special laws now in effect.'