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#### NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Name: Knights County: York

#### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE

Senate Amendment "C" to H. P. 1991, L. D. 1376, Bill "An Act Relating to Slash, Brush and Debris Disposal."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the Title thereof after the words "Relating to Slash" and inserting in place thereof, the following: 'and Brush Disposal'.

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of the headnote of that part designated "Sec. 68" and inserting in place thereof the following: 'Disposal of slash and brush; penalty'.

Further amend said Bill by adding after the underlined word "cut" in the 2nd line of subsection 1 of that part designated "Sec. 68" the underlined word 'hereafter'

Further amend said Bill by striking out the underlined word "debris" in the 4th line of subsection I of that part designated "Sec. 68" and inserting in place thereof the underlined word 'brush'; and in the same line thereof, strike out the underlined words "inflammable material" and insert in place thereof the underlined words 'slash and brush'.

Further amend said Bill by striking out the underlined figure "100" in

the 5th line of subsection I of that part designated "Sec. 68" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure '50'

Further amend said Bill by adding after the underlined word "cut" in the 2nd line of subsection II of that part designated "Sec. 68" the underlined word 'hereafter'

Further amend said Bill by striking out the underlined word "debris" in the 5th line of subsection II of that part designated "Sec. 68" and inserting in place thereof the underlined word 'brush'; and in the 5th and 6th lines thereof, strike out the underlined words "inflammable material" and insert in place thereof the underlined words 'slash and brush'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of subsection III of that part designated "Sec. 68" and inserting in place thereof the following underlined subsection:

'III. Land bordering on another. Whoever, as stumpage owner, operator, landowner or agent, cuts, causes or permits to cut any forest growth on land which borders forest growth of another within the state outside the limits of the Maine forestry district or within the Maine forestry district which borders property outside shall dispose of the slash and brush in the manner hereinafter described: All slash and brush resulting from such cutting of forest growth shall not remain on the ground within 25 feet of the property line, provided that the commissioner on his own initiative or upon written complaint of another declares that the situation constitutes a fire hazard.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting after the underlined word "cutting" in the 2nd line of subsection IV of that part designated "Sec. 68" the underlined word 'hereafter'; and in the same line strike out the underlined word "debris" and insert in place thereof the underlined word 'brush'

Further amend said Bill by adding after the underlined word "cutting" in the 2nd line of subsection V of that part designated "Sec. 68" the underlined word 'hereafter'; and by striking out the underlined word "debris" in the 4th line and inserting in place thereof the underlined word 'brush'; and in the 4th and 5th lines thereof, strike out the underlined words "inflammable material" and insert in place thereof the underlined words 'slash and brush'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of subsection VI of that part designated "Sec. 68" and inserting in place thereof the following underlined section:

'VI. Manner of removal or disposal. All slash and brush resulting from cutting hereafter of forest growth shall be removed the required distances under the provisions of this section and scattered and not piled in windrows, within 30 days after cutting or 30 days of notification to remove by the forest commissioner or his representatives. Whoever violates any of the provisions of this section shall on conviction be punished by a fine of not exceeding \$100, or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. The failure of any person to comply with the provisions of the foregoing sections shall constitute a continuing offense and he shall be subject to the penalties herein provided until he complies therewith.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of the headnote of that part designated "Sec. 68-A" and inserting in place thereof, the following: 'Slash and brush burning permits; penalty.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out the underlined word "debris" in the 3rd line of that part designated "Sec. 68-A."

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of that part designated "Sec. 69" and inserting in place thereof, the following:

'Sec. 69. Disposal of slash and brush on construction and maintenance of railroads, highways, electric power, telegraph, telephone or pipe lines; penalty. Slash and brush accumulating by the construction and maintenance of railroads, highways, electric power, telegraph, telephone or pipe lines shall not be left on the ground. Disposal of slash and brush, resulting from the construction and maintenance of railroads, highways, electric power, telegraph, telephone or pipe lines may be done by either hauling away or burning. However, any burning must comply with the provisions of section 68-A governing permits and conditions suitable to burn.

Any violation of the provisions of this section by the person responsible therefor, or his employer, whether individual, firm or corporation shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100, or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.'