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H. P. 361

House of Representatives, February 4, 1953.

Referred to Committee on Towns and Counties. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Crabtree of Island Falls.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT to Provide Fire Protection for Unorganized Territory.

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

R. S., c. 14, § 75-A, additional. Chapter 14 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 75-A, to read as follows :

'Sec. 75-A. Assessment for fire protection tax. The county commissioners of the several counties are hereby authorized, on behalf of the inhabitants of the unorganized territory within their respective counties, to enter into contracts on such terms as they deem fit with one or more persons, associations or municipalities, or to take such other steps as they deem advisable, to provide fire protection, other than forest fire protection, for the unorganized territory within their respective counties. The county commissioners shall annually assess upon such unorganized territory an amount sufficient to provide for such protection, and said assessment shall be certified and transmitted by the county treasurers to the state tax assessor not later than April 1 of each year. The state tax assessor shall determine the amount of tax due, in accordance with the provisions of section 77-A of this chapter, and shall include such amounts in the statements referred to in section 77 of this chapter. The state tax collector shall collect such taxes and cause them to be remitted to the county treasurers in

the same manner as provided for the county tax, provided, however, that the treasurer of state shall, when remitting to the counties, remit the fire protection tax and county tax in separate amounts and designate the amount of the fire protection tax in separate amounts and designate the amount of the fire protection tax collected from the unorganized territory. Collection of such fire protection tax shall be enforced in the same manner as provided for the enforcement of collection of county taxes and interest collected shall be credited to the general fund of the state.'