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House of Representatives, January 20, 1955.

Referred to the Committee on Taxation, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Sanford of Dover-Foxcroft.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Maine Forestry District Taxes.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, all Maine Forestry District taxes are assessed as of April 1; and

Whereas, the State Board of Tax Equalization made a revaluation of the real estate in 1954, which affects the Maine Forestry District income making it possible to reduce the forest fire tax rate; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

R. S., c. 36, § 96, amended. The 1st sentence of section 96 of chapter 36 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'A tax of $5\frac{1}{2}$ $4\frac{3}{4}$ mills on the dollar is assessed upon all the property in the Maine Forestry District, including rights in public reserved lots, to be used for the protection thereof.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.