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Presented by Mr. Greene of Belfast.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Special Mobile Equipment Under Motor Vehicle Laws.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting before the 7th paragraph from the end thereof, the following paragraph:

"Special mobile equipment" shall mean every vehicle not designed or used primarily for the transportation of persons or property and incidentally operated or moved over the highways, including road construction or maintenance machinery, ditch-digging apparatus, stone-crushers, air compressors, power shovels, cranes, graders, rollers, well-drillers and wood-sawing equipment. The foregoing enumeration shall be deemed partial and shall not operate to exclude other such vehicles which are within the general terms of this section."

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 16, sub-§ III, amended. The 4th paragraph from the end of subsection III of section 16 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Special mobile equipment and other machinery or equipment, any of which are permanently mounted on a traction unit or motor chassis, shall be registered and a fee of \$10 shall be paid for such registration in lieu of all other registration fees. Registration under the provisions of this paragraph shall not include any vehicle which may be used for the conveyance of property except hand tools or parts which are used in connection with the operation of such equipment, except that road construction or maintenance machinery coming under the definition of special mobile equipment may be used for the transportation of earth on that portion of the highway actually under construction and within any construction area designated by the Highway Commission. Such special mobile equipment may be operated unloaded over the highway between construction projects and to or from the place where such vehicles are customarily kept, if a permit for such movement is first obtained in accordance with section 98.'