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H. P. 599

House of Representatives, February 19, 1957.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mrs. Harriman of Lovell.

## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-SEVEN

### AN ACT Relating to Repairs of Roads in Unorganized Territory and Deorganized Towns.

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

**R. S., c. 89, § 65, amended.** Section 65 of chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 65. Roads in unorganized territory and deorganized towns inspected; assessments for repairs, agent to superintend repairs.** Such county commissioners in September or October annually, by one or more of their board, shall make an inspection of all county roads, state and state aid highways and other roads originally located as town roads in the ~~unincorporated townships~~ **unorganized territory, deorganized towns** and tracts of land in their counties and shall thereupon make an estimate of the amount needed for repairs, cutting bushes, maintenance, snow removal and improvements, so as to comply with the provisions of the state highway laws, and to otherwise make them safe and convenient for public travel for the following year and assess thereon not exceeding ~~2%~~ **3%** of the valuation thereof, and shall assess on the county the balance of such amount if such amount of ~~2%~~ **3%** is not sufficient to properly comply with the above requirements; ~~and such.~~ **Such** assessments shall be made upon the total valuation of each unorganized township, **deorganized town** and lot or parcel of land not included in any township, according to the last state valuation, and shall not exceed ~~2%~~ **3%** of the value thereof on the landowners; ~~and.~~ **Such county commissioners shall** cause so much thereof, as they deem necessary for the purpose aforesaid, to be expended on said roads within 5 years from the date of assessment, which assessment shall create a lien thereon for the payment thereof. They shall make such assessment not later than April 1st of the following year

and lists containing the road repair tax millage rate and the total amount of such tax assessed upon each unorganized township, **deorganized town** and lot or parcel of land not included in any township, according to the last state valuation, shall immediately be certified and transmitted by the county treasurer to the State Tax Assessor. The State Tax Assessor shall determine the amount of tax due, in accordance with the provisions of section 79 of chapter 16, and shall include such amounts in the statements referred to in section 82 of chapter 16. Collection of such road repair taxes shall be enforced in the same manner as provided for the enforcement of collection of county taxes. The county commissioners at the time the taxes provided for by this section are assessed may appoint an agent or agents, skilled in road building, not members of their board, to superintend the expenditure thereof, who shall give bonds as provided in section 63. ~~Provided, however, that in deorganized towns, an assessment may be made of over 2% of the valuation thereof, in which case, the amount over the 2% may be paid by the state out of the general highway fund by agreement between the county commissioners and state highway commission before the assessment is made.~~