

An Act to amend the Municipal Law of Upper Canada as regards Statute Labour on County Roads.

IN amendment of the Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of Upper Canada; Her Majesty, by and with advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:—

Preamble.

1. The Municipal Corporation of every Township or Incorporated Village in Upper Canada, adjacent to any public travelled County Road not subject to toll, shall in every year direct that one half of all statute labour for which any person residing within one mile and a half of such Road shall be liable or for which any person shall be liable in respect of lands lying within the said distance of such Road, and one-half of all money paid in commutation of such Statute Labour, shall be apportioned and applied by the several Pathmasters having the ordering of such Statute Labour, to the maintenance and repairs of such County Roads, under the superintendence of some officer to be appointed by the County Council, and in such manner as he shall direct, and it shall be the duty of every Pathmaster to see that such Statute Labour and money is so applied.

One-half the Statute Labour within a mile and a half of a County Road to be expended on such Road.

2. Any Pathmaster who shall refuse or neglect to cause such Statute Labour or money as aforesaid to be apportioned and applied as hereinbefore prescribed, or shall direct or connive at any other application thereof, shall for each day on which such refusal or neglect, misdirection or connivance shall be committed or continue, incur a fine of *twenty dollars*, recoverable in a summary manner by complaint before one Justice of the Peace; and one-half of such fine shall belong to the prosecutor, and the other half to the County in which the Road with respect to which the offence is committed shall be situate.

Penalty on Pathmasters applying the same otherwise.

3. The County Council of each County or Union of Counties may make appropriations for a County Road or County Roads, either by payment of a certain amount down or by annual payments for such term of years as may seem fit, of a sum not exceeding \$ by by-law of such Council, without requiring to submit the same to the vote of the rate-payers.

Appropriation for County Road without vote of ratepayers.

4. The Council of a Union of Counties may pass a by-law making an appropriation as above for one of the Counties of such Union, provided the majority of the Reeves and Deputy Reeves of the said County shall vote for the same at any meeting of the said Council, and the County for which such appropriation has been made shall alone be assessed for the payment thereof.

Appropriation for one County of a union only; it may be assessed alone.