

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Senate Document

No. 387

S. P. 730

In Senate, March 27, 1929.

Reported by Senator Bond of Lincoln from Committee on Ways and Bridges and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE

RESOLVE, Proposing an Amendment to Article IX of the Constitution Authorizing the Issuing of Bonds to be Used for the Purpose of Building a Bridge Across the Penobscot River, to be Known as the Waldo-Hancock Bridge.

Resolved: Two-thirds of the legislature concurring the following amendment to the constitution of the state of Maine be proposed.

Section seventeen of article nine of the constitution is hereby amended by adding to said section the following: 'The legislature may authorize, in addition to the bonds hereinbefore mentioned, the issuance of bonds not exceed-

5 ing one million two hundred thousand dollars in amount at
6 any one time payable within thirty years at a rate of in-
7 terest not exceeding four per centum per annum, payable
8 semi-annually, which bonds or their proceeds shall be de-
9 voted solely to the building of a highway bridge across the
10 Penobscot river from either the town of Prospect or the
11 town of Stockton Springs to either the town of Bucksport
12 or the town of Verona, to be known as the Waldo-Hancock
13 bridge,' so that said section as amended shall read as fol-
14 lows:

'Sect. 17. The legislature may authorize the issuing of
2 bonds not exceeding sixteen million dollars in amount at
3 any one time, payable within forty-one years, at a rate of
4 interest not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable
5 semi-annually, which bonds or their proceeds shall be de-
6 voted solely to the building of state highways, and intra-
7 state, interstate and international bridges; provided, how-
8 ever, that bonds issued and outstanding under the authority
9 of this section shall never, in the aggregate, exceed six-
10 teen million dollars; the expenditure of said money to be
11 divided equitable among the several counties of the state.
12 The legislature may authorize, in addition to the bonds
13 hereinbefore mentioned, the issuance of bonds not exceed-
14 ing one million two hundred thousand dollars in amount at
15 any one time payable within thirty years at a rate of in-
16 terest not exceeding four per centum per annum, payable
17 semi-annually, which bonds or their proceeds shall be de-

18 voted solely to the building of a highway bridge across the
19 Penobscot river from either the town of Prospect or the
20 town of Stockton Springs to either the town of Bucksport
21 or the town of Verona, to be known as the Waldo-Hancock
22 bridge.’

Resolved: That the aldermen of cities, the selectmen of
2 towns and the assessors of the several plantations of this
3 state, are hereby empowered and directed to notify the in-
4 habitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to
5 meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and hold-
6 ing biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of
7 senators and representatives, on the second Monday in Sep-
8 tember following the passage of this resolve, to give in their
9 votes upon the amendment proposed in the foregoing reso-
10 lution, and the question shall be: “Shall the constitution be
11 amended as proposed by a resolution of the legislature pro-
12 viding for an increase in the amount of state bonds to be
13 issued for the purpose of building a highway bridge across
14 the Penobscot river, from either the town of Prospect or
15 the town of Stockton Springs to either the town of Bucks-
16 port or the town of Verona?”

And the inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations
2 shall vote by ballot on said question, those in favor of the
3 amendment voting “Yes” upon their ballots and those op-
4 posed to the amendment voting “No” upon their ballots and
5 the ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared
6 in open ward, town and plantation meetings and return

7 made to the office of the secretary of state in the same
8 manner as votes for governor and members of the legis-
9 lature and the governor and council shall count the same
10 and if it shall appear that a majority of the inhabitants
11 voting on the question are in favor of the amendment, the
12 governor shall forthwith make known the fact by his
13 proclamation and the amendment shall thereupon as of the
14 date of said proclamation become a part of the constitution.

Resolved: That the secretary of state shall prepare and
2 furnish to the several cities, towns and plantations ballots
3 and blank returns in conformity with the foregoing resolve
4 accompanied by a copy thereof.