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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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STATE OF MAINE

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Sec. 6. Right to take over by state, reserved. The state of Maine reserves the right to take over by proper legislation the property rights and franchises hereby granted, upon the payment of just compensation to the owners thereof, but such compensation shall not include the value of the franchises hereby granted.

Approved April 4, 1923.

Chapter 113.

An Act to Enable the Towns of Turner and Leeds in the County of Androscoggin, or the County of Androscoggin, to Make Free the North Turner Toll Bridge.

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

- Sec. 1. Proprietors of North Turner bridge authorized to sell to towns of Turner and Leeds, or to Androscoggin county. The proprietors of the North Turner bridge, commonly called the North Turner Toll Bridge, incorporated by chapter three hundred and seventy-one of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and twenty-six, by its directors, officers or receivers, are hereby authorized and empowered to sell, transfer and convey to the inhabitants of the towns of Turner and Leeds, in the county of Androscoggin, or to the county of Androscoggin, the property and franchises of said corporation, namely, the bridge extending over and across the Androscoggin river between the towns of Turner and Leeds, the approaches thereto, toll house and all other property owned by said corporation and used or useful in the maintenance of a way over said river at said point, but excepting cash and receivables.
- Sec. 2. Towns or county authorized to purchase, and to raise money therefor. Said towns are authorized to purchase the same and raise moneys for payment therefor as the electors thereof determine in town meetings lawfully assembled. The county commissioners of Androscoggin county are authorized and empowered to purchase the same, and to use the funds and credit of the county in payment therefor, but not in excess of two thousand dollars.
- Sec. 3. Bridge to become part of highway and to be free; assessment of damages. Whenever said property and franchises shall have been acquired in either of the ways aforesaid, said bridges, its location and the approaches thereto shall be and become part of the public highway connecting with the present highways on either side of said river, as though laid out in manner now provided by law for the laying out and construction of highways; and all persons, other than said proprietors of North Turner Bridges, who are injured thereby shall have their damages assessed and paid in the same manner provided for the assessment of damages caused

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by the laying out of highways under the general law. Said bridges shall forever thereafterward be a free public bridge, and shall be maintained and kept in repair as now provided by law for bridges built by municipalities upon public highways or county ways.

Approved April 4, 1923.

Chapter 114.

An Act to Allow the Town of Forest City to Hold Its Annual Town Meeting for the Year Nineteen Hundred Twenty-three in the Month of April, Instead of in March, as Required by Law.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, it is impossible to hold a legal annual town meeting for the year nineteen hundred twenty-three, in the month of March, in the town of Forest City, because of the fact that at the meeting which was called for March twenty-six, a sufficient number of voters were not present and therefore it was impossible to hold a legal meeting in the month of March,

Whereas, if a town meeting is not held no money can be raised to carry on the affairs of the town for the ensuing municipal year, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section sixteen of article thirty-one of the constitution of the State 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:

- Sec. 1. Authorized to hold annual town meeting, 1923, in April. The inhabitants of the town of Forest City, in the county of Washington, are hereby authorized and empowered to hold their annual town meeting on any Monday in the month of April, in the year nineteen hundred twenty-three, instead of in March as required by statute, and said meeting, if held in April, shall be of the same effect and validity as if held in the month of March.
- Sec. 2. Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved April 5, 1923.

Chapter 115.

An Act to Change the Name of Rattlesnake Pond in the Town of Brownfield to Lane Pond.

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

Name Rattlesnake pond changed to Lane pond. The name of Rattle-