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one year. Said claims to be paid upon authorization of the governor and council.

Approved April 13, 1929.

Chapter 146.

Resolve, in Favor of H. H. Havey and Estate of Bradbury Smith for Reimbursement for Loss on State Highway Contract.

H. H. Havey and estate of Bradbury Smith, payment of claim. Resolved: That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of six thousand dollars to be paid to H. H. Havey and estate of Bradbury Smith to reimburse the said H. H. Havey and estate of Bradbury Smith for loss on state highway construction. Said sum to be paid from state highway funds.

Approved April 13, 1929.

Chapter 147.

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.

Amendment to Constitution proposed, relating to bond issue for the purpose of building a bridge across the Penobscot. Resolved: Two-thirds of the legislature concurring, that 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 exceeding one million two hundred thousand dollars in amount at any one time payable within thirty years at a rate of interest not exceeding four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, which bonds or their proceeds shall be devoted solely to the building of a highway bridge across the Penobscot river from either the town of Prospect or the town of Stockton Springs to either the town of Bucksport or the town of Verona, to be known as the "Waldo-Hancock Bridge," so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 17. Legislature to authorize the issuing of bonds not exceeding sixteen million dollars. The legislature may authorize the issuing of bonds not exceeding sixteen million dollars in amount at any one time, payable within forty-one years, except that all bonds issued under authority of this resolve during and after the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five shall be payable within fifteen years, at a rate of interest not exceeding five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, which bonds or their

proceeds, shall be devoted solely to the building of state highways and interstate, intrastate and international bridges, provided, however, that bonds issued and outstanding under the authority of this section shall never, in the aggregate, exceed sixteen million dollars, which said bonds issued during or after the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five shall be serial and when paid at maturity, or otherwise retired, shall not be re-issued; the expenditure of said money to be divided equitably among the several counties of the state. The legislature may authorize, in addition to the bonds hereinbefore mentioned, the issuance of bonds not exceeding three million dollars in amount at any one time, payable within fifty-one years, at a rate of interest not exceeding four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, which bonds or their proceeds shall be devoted solely to the building of a highway or combination highway and railroad bridge across the Kennebec river between the city of Bath and the town of Woolwich. The legislature may authorize, in addition to the bonds hereinbefore mentioned, the issuance of bonds not exceeding one million two hundred thousand dollars in amount at any one time payable within thirty years at a rate of interest not exceeding four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, which bonds or their proceeds shall be devoted solely to the building of a highway bridge across the Penobscot river from either the town of Prospect or the town of Stockton Springs to either the town of Bucksport or the town of Verona, to be known as the "Waldo-Hancock Bridge."

Form of question and date when amendment is to be voted on. Resolved: That the aldermen of cities, the selectmen of towns and the assessors of the several plantations of this state, are hereby empowered and directed to notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and holding biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of senators and representatives, on the second Monday in September following the passage of this resolve, to give in their votes upon the amendment proposed in the foregoing resolution, and the question shall be: "Shall the constitution be amended as proposed by a resolution of the legislature providing for an increase in the amount of state bonds to be issued for the purpose of building a highway bridge across the Penobscot river, from either the town of Prospect or the town of Stockton Springs to either the town of Bucksport or the town of Verona?"

And the inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations shall vote by ballot on said question, those in favor of the amendment voting "Yes" upon their ballots and those opposed to the amendment voting "No" upon their ballots and the ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and return made to the office

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of the secretary of state in the same manner as votes for governor and members of the legislature and the governor and council shall count the same and if it shall appear that a majority of the inhabitants voting on the question are in favor of the amendment, the governor shall forthwith make known the fact by his proclamation and the amendment shall thereupon as of the date of said proclamation become a part of the constitution.

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

Approved April 13, 1929.

Chapter 148.

Resolve, for the Construction, Maintenance and Repair of Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the highways and bridges hereinafter mentioned can be built and repaired to much better advantage to the state if the contracts therefor are let early in the season and the work begun as soon as possible, and

Whereas, money for such building and repairs cannot be used until the funds provided by this resolve become available and loss and inconvenience will result if such work is not started early in the season, 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 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, now, therefore, be it

Roads, bridges and ferries, aid in construction, maintenance and repair of. Resolved: That there be appropriated the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars for the fiscal period ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred thirty; and one hundred fifty thousand dollars for the fiscal period ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred thirty-one, to aid in construction, repairing, and maintaining highways, bridges and ferries, hereinafter specified. Provided, however, that no appropriation herein contained shall be available unless the town designated to receive the same shall undertake that all road material, including clay, gravel, sand and rock, necessary for the improvement contemplated by this resolve shall be furnished without expense to the state, and that each town shall assume and pay all damages whatsoever arising from the taking of land or from the change of grade, drainage or alignment deemed by the state highway commission as necessary for said improvement.