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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

## Ninety-sixth Legislature

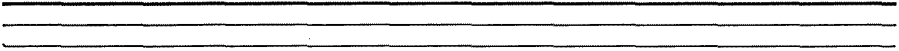
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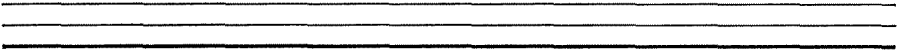
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MEMORIALS  
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RESOLUTIONS



STATE OF MAINE

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Three

MEMORIAL

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assembled

**Joint Resolution Rescinding the Vote Taken by the 90th Legislature on the Resolution (H. P. 466) (L. D. 202) Passed and Adopted by the Senate on April 15, 1941 and Passed in Concurrence by the House of Representatives on April 17, 1941, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the United States Relative to Taxes on Incomes, Inheritances and Gifts.**

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the Ninety-Sixth Legislative Session assembled, most respectfully present and petition your Honorable Body as follows:

Whereas, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the 1941 regular session of the Legislature submitted a Resolution to the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress to call a convention for the purpose of considering an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to Taxes on Incomes, Inheritances and Gifts; and

Whereas, the Resolution provided among other things for the repeal of the XVI Amendment to the Constitution of the United States; and

Whereas, this Resolution provided for a Twenty Five Per Cent Limitation on Incomes, Inheritances and Gifts; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That we, your Memorialists, do hereby rescind, withdraw and repeal the said Resolve of 1941 and respectfully urge that the same be disregarded; and be it further

Resolved: That a copy of this Memorial, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State, by registered mail, to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress, to the members of the said Senate and House of Representatives from this State, and to the presiding officers for each of the legislatures in the several states.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Read and Adopted

April 21, 1953

Sent up for Concurrence

HARVEY R. PEASE,

Clerk

IN SENATE CHAMBER

In Concurrence

April 22, 1953

Read and Adopted

CHESTER T. WINSLOW,

Secretary

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

## STATE OF MAINE

## OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

I, HAROLD I. GOSS, Secretary of State of the State of Maine, and custodian of the seal of said State, do hereby certify :

That I have carefully compared the annexed copy of the Memorial to the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America assembled, with the original thereof, and that it is a full, true and complete transcript therefrom and of the whole thereof.

In Testimony Whereof, I have caused the seal of the State to be hereunto affixed. GIVEN under my hand at Augusta, this thirtieth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three and in the one hundred and seventy-seventh year of the Independence of the United States of America.

HAROLD I. GOSS,  
Secretary of State

## STATE OF MAINE

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-three

## RESOLUTION

Whereas, building of roads and highways since the inception of our government has been primarily a state responsibility; and

Whereas, every state of the Union has tremendous problems in maintaining, extending and building highways and bridges due to the lack of building program during the war year period; and

Whereas, the federal government has always collected much more than they have sent back to the states for road building purposes; and

Whereas, the costs of building and maintaining roads and highways have increased tremendously; and

Whereas, states have demonstrated they are willing, have, and do cooperate in building the federally designated highways; and

Whereas, the states sensed the responsibility of an integrated highway system as it relates to the national welfare; and

Whereas, the states have demonstrated that they can build adequate highways; and

Whereas, in many instances, many economies can be effected through sole state responsibility of building highways; and

Whereas, because of the foregoing facts and after due consideration, the Council of State Governments in the National meeting December 7 in Chicago passed a resolution supporting this proposition, and the Governors' Conference in the National meeting in July, 1952, unanimously passed a resolution supporting this proposition; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**, by the Senate and House of the State of Maine, that application is hereby made to the Congress of the United States to give serious consideration to the question of eliminating the federal gasoline tax and leaving that area of taxation entirely to the states; and be it further

**Resolved**, that attested copies of this concurrent resolution be sent to the presiding officers of each house of the Congress and to each member of the Maine delegation in Congress, and that printed copies thereof, showing that said concurrent resolution was adopted by the legislature of Maine, be sent to each house of each legislature of each state of the United States.

IN SENATE CHAMBER

Read and adopted

April 2, 1953

Sent down for concurrence

CHESTER T. WINSLOW,

Secretary

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Read and adopted

April 7, 1953

In concurrence

HARVEY R. PEASE,

Clerk