

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
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5 Legislative Document

No. 865

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7 H.P. 685

House of Representatives, February 24, 1983

8 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Sent up for  
9 concurrence and ordered printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

11 Presented by Representative McGowan of Pittsfield.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE  
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17 AN ACT Concerning Access Roads to Great  
18 Ponds and Lakes.  
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
21 follows:

22 23 MRSA §3 is enacted to read:

23 §3. Prohibition against discontinuing road to body  
24 of water

25 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no  
26 road or way designed for and capable of providing  
27 passage to motor vehicles, to any river, great pond  
28 or lake, whether that road or way is privately or  
29 publicly owned, may be discontinued, nor may it be  
30 destroyed or otherwise deliberately made impassable.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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The purpose of this bill is to maintain passage over any road providing access to any river, lake or great pond. These roads should not be discontinued or deliberately made impassable, in case access to that body of water is necessary due to water emergency or forest fire.

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