

NEW DRAFT.

Sixty - Third Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 95.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN.

An Act to enable the county of Sagadahoc to make free the "Merrymeeting Bay Bridge," and the "Arrowsic Bridge," in said county.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. The inhabitants of the town of 2 Arrowsic are hereby authorized and empowered to 3 transfer and convey, as a gift, to the inhabitants 4 of said county of Sagadahoc, the stock and fran-5 chises of the Arrowsic Bridge Company, now held 6 by said town, *provided*, that at a legal town meet-7 ing of said town of Arrowsic, a majority of the 8 legal voters shall so vote.

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SECT. 2. The county of Sagadahoc is hereby 2 authorized and empowered to maintain the bridge 3 known as the "Merrymeeting Bay Bridge," and to 4 accept from the town of Arrowsic a deed of the 5 stock and franchises of the Arrowsic Bridge, and 6 to thereafter maintain both of said bridges free of 7 tolls, and are hereby fully authorized to keep said 8 bridges in repair, and to hold said bridges, with all 9 the premises, buildings, lands and appurtenances 10 thereunto belonging.

SECT. 3. The County Commissioners of Sagada-2 hoc County are hereby authorized to keep said 3 bridges and the approaches thereto in repair so 4 that the same shall be safe and convenient for pub-5 lic travel, and to include in their annual estimates 6 of county taxes the sums necessary therefor.

SECT. 4. This act shall be inoperative unless the 2 legal voters of said county, shall by a majority vote, 3 at meetings of the several towns and municipalities 4 in said county, duly notified and warned, to be held 5 on the eleventh day of June, eighteen hundred 6 eighty-seven, for the purpose of accepting or reject-7 ing the provisions of this act, at which meetings the 8 vote shall be by ballot as follows: "Free Bridges, 9 Yes." "Free Bridges, No." The ballots shall be 10 received, sorted, counted and declared, as votes 11 for town officers are and shall be recorded by the 12 town and city clerks, and true copies thereof, sealed 13 and attested, shall be transmitted to the County 14 Commissioners of the county of Sagadahoc within 15 six days. The commissioners shall open and dis-16 close the votes so returned by publishing the same 17 in the "American Sentinel" in two issues of that 18 paper. If errors appear in the returns, they shall 19 be corrected by the commissioners by proper evi-20 dence, and if a majority of the ballots returned 21 have "Yes" upon them it shall be deemed to be an 22 acceptance of this act and its provisions, and this 23 act shall then be in force, but if there should be a 24 majority of ballots with "No" thereon, it shall be 25 deemed a rejection of the same.

SECT. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent 2 with this act are hereby repealed.

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IN SENATE, March 14, 1887.

Reported by Mr. HINCKLEY, from Sagadahoe County Delegation, and laid on the table to be printed under joint rules.

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C. W. TILDEN, Secretary.

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