

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 254.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to the Old Town Toll Bridge.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever it shall be adjudged by the
2 supreme judicial court, on due proceedings there had,
3 which proceedings this act shall not effect or prejudice,
4 that the toll bridge, its approaches and appurtenances, of
5 the Old Town Bridge Corporation have reverted to the
6 State and ceased to remain the property of said corpora-
7 tion, the land agent shall, in behalf of the State, enter
8 upon and take possession of said property, and the same
9 shall thereafter be a public free bridge, and be maintained
10 as a public highway by the towns of Old Town, Milford
11 and Bradley, in proportion to their respective State valua-

12 tions, as fixed from time to time, under the supervision
13 and control of the selectmen of said towns.

SECT. 2. In case of failure to properly maintain said
2 bridge by said towns, the county commissioners of Penob-
3 scot county, on petition, after notice to said towns, may
4 cause necessary repairs thereof to be made at the expense
5 of said towns in proportions aforesaid.

SECT. 3. The highways leading to said bridge shall be
2 maintained by the towns wherein they are situated.

MAJORITY REPORT.

The Committee on Ways and Bridges to which was referred the petition of J. L. Smith and others praying for the reversion of the Old Town bridge to the State, have had the same under consideration and the following members ask leave to report a bill which is herewith submitted, entitled "An Act relating to Old Town Toll Bridge."

W. M. NASH,

E. B. MALLET, JR.,

JOHN GILMORE,

SAMUEL ROSS,

PAGE H. KANE,

WILLIAM H. LEIGHTON,

HOWES *for the Committee.*

Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT concerning the reversion of the Old Town Toll
Bridge to the State of Maine, and establishing a highway
over said bridge.

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

SECTION 1. That by virtue of the provisions in the several
2 charters and acts relating to the Old Town Bridge Cor-
3 poration, and at the time hereinafter designated, the Land
4 Agent is hereby directed to declare and accept on behalf
5 of the State the reversion to the State of all the property
6 and title in the toll bridge across the Penobscot river at
7 Old Town, with all the approaches and appurtenances
8 thereto, now operated by said Old Town Bridge Corpor-
9 ation, and that said bridge shall be henceforth a public
10 highway, subject to all the provisions of law appropriate

11 to such highways, and to be supported and maintained by
12 the several towns of Old Town, Milford and Bradley, in
13 proportion to their respective State valuations of 1891,
14 and of such subsequent valuations as the State shall fix
15 from time to time.

SECT. 2. The maintenance and repair of such bridge
2 shall be under the joint supervision and control of the
3 selectmen of said towns; and in case of disagreement, the
4 county commissioners, upon petition of any citizen of
5 either town, shall cause necessary repairs to be made, and
6 the expense thereof paid by said towns as provided in the
7 preceding section.

SECT. 3. The highways leading to said bridge shall be
2 made, maintained and repaired by the towns in which they
3 are situated in the same manner as other highways.

SECT. 4. This act shall not affect any pending suit, and
2 shall take effect only when judgment is rendered in quo
3 warranto proceedings now pending in the supreme judicial
4 court of Maine, between the State by information of its
5 attorney-general and said Old Town Bridge Corporation,
6 but if said judgment shall be in favor of said bridge cor-
7 poration on the ground that said bridge has not reverted
8 to the State, then this act shall be void.

MINORITY REPORT.

The Committee on Ways and Bridges, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Old Town and others praying for the reversion of the Old Town bridge, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report a bill which is herewith submitted, entitled "An Act concerning the reversion of the Old Town Toll Bridge to the State of Maine and establishing a highway over said bridge," and that the same ought to pass.

GOULD,
SNOW,
HOWES.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 12, 1891. }

Tabled, pending acceptance of either report, by Mr. MULLEN of Old
Town, and both reports and bills ordered printed.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*