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#### NEW DRAFT.

## Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 377.

### STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to enable the County of Sagadahoc to make free the Merrymeeting Bay Bridge.

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

SECTION 1. The county of Sagadahoc is hereby author-2 ized and empowered to maintain the bridge known as the 3 Merrymeeting Bay bridge, free of tolls, and are hereby 4 fully authorized to keep said bridge in repair, and to hold 5 said bridge, with all the premises, buildings, lands and 6 appurtenances thereunto belonging.

SECT. 2. The county commissioners of Sagadahoc coun-2 ty are hereby authorized to keep said bridge and the 3 approaches thereto in repair, so that the same shall be safe 4 and convenient for public travel, and to include in their 5 annual estimates of county taxes, the sums necessary there-6 for.

Sect. 3. This act shall be inoperative unless the legal 2 voters of said county, having been duly notified and 3 warned, shall by a majority vote at the annual meetings 4 of the several towns and municipalities to be held in 5 March, 1896, declare in favor thereof. For the purpose 6 of accepting or rejecting the provisions of this act at said 7 annual meetings the vote shall be by ballot, as provided 8 by law as follows,—free bridge, yes; free bridge, no.

The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and 10 declared as votes for town officers are, and shall be 11 recorded by the town and city clerks, and true copies 12 thereof, sealed and attested, shall be transmitted to the 13 county commissioners of the county of Sagadahoc, within 14 six days. The commissioners shall open and declare the 15 votes so returned, by publishing the same in the Bath Times 16 for one week and Bath Enterprise, in two issues of that 17 paper. If errors appear in the returns, they shall be corrected 18 by the commissioners, by proper evidence and if a 19 majority of the ballots returned have "yes" upon them, 20 it shall be deemed to be an acceptance of this act and its 21 provisions, and this act shall then be in force; but if there 22 should be a majority of ballots with "no" thereon, it shall 23 be deemed a rejection of the same.

SECT. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with 2 this act, are hereby repealed.



#### STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, March 15, 1895.

Reported by Mr. McCULLOUGH of Calais, from Committee on Ways and Bridges, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.