

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 155.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT Authorizing the City of Bangor to Construct a Bridge
over Kenduskeag Stream, near the European and North Amer-
ican Railroad Bridge.

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

Section 1. The city of Bangor is hereby authorized to lay
2 out a public highway from Bond street, so called, to Ex-
3 change street, so called, in said Bangor, northerly of the
4 railroad bridge crossing Kenduskeag stream, near its junc-
5 tion with the Penobscot river, in accordance with the provis-
6 ions of the charter of the city of Bangor, and build a bridge
7 across the said Kenduskeag stream for foot and carriage

8 travel near to and at such distance from said railroad bridge
9 that said railroad bridge and the bridge hereby authorized
10 shall not unreasonably endanger each other or hinder the free
11 use of either.

Sect. 2. The piers constructed by virtue of this act for the
2 bridge and way hereby authorized shall be placed in such
3 position in said stream as to be directly in line with the piers
4 now under the railroad bridge referred to in section one; and
5 the abutments for each end of said bridge shall be built so
6 that the front of said abutments shall not project into the
7 stream beyond the wharves on either side of said Kenduskeag
8 stream; and the spans of said bridge shall be of substantially
9 the same length as said railroad bridge, to the end that the
10 use of said stream for boating and vessels and for driving
11 and hauling rafts of logs and lumber shall not be unreason-
12 ably obstructed by the piers thus erected, and said bridge
13 shall be as high or higher than the present railroad bridge.

Sect. 3. Said city of Bangor shall construct a sufficient
2 draw in said bridge in line with the draw now in said railroad
3 bridge, and in such manner that the draws of both bridges
4 may be used in the most convenient manner for the accom-
5 modation of navigation for vessels, scows, rafts of logs and
6 lumber, and shall at all times when it is necessary, during
7 such portions of the year as said stream is open to navigation,
8 keep a man upon said bridge to attend said draw and open
9 and close the same for the passage of vessels, scows, rafts
10 of logs and lumber.

Sect. 4. The city of Bangor is hereby authorized by its
2 city council to take and condemn such land and property as

3 may be necessary for the use of the highway, and the con-
4 struction and maintenance of the bridge hereby authorized,
5 and in taking and condemning such property, the same pro-
6 ceedings shall be had as is now provided by the city charter
7 and amendments thereto in cases of laying out streets and
8 highways.

Sect. 5. Said bridge shall be constructed and opened to
2 the public and forever maintained, by the city of Bangor as
3 a free bridge, and in a safe and convenient condition for pub-
4 lic travel and under the same rules and regulations that all
5 other bridges are maintained by said city of Bangor.

Sect. 6. Any and all orders and votes of the city council
2 given for the purpose of authorizing and laying out or estab-
3 lishing the public highway or for building the bridge author-
4 ized by this act shall not take effect nor be in force until thirty
5 days from the date of such order or vote, and not then, if in
6 the mean time, thirty or more of the qualified voters of the
7 city of Bangor shall request in writing, the mayor and alder-
8 men to call ward meetings of the citizens of Bangor qualified
9 to vote in city affairs, and upon the receipt of such request
10 by the mayor, it shall be the duty of the mayor to call a
11 meeting of the board of aldermen, and submit such request
12 to said board of aldermen, and it shall be their duty to call
13 ward meetings in the usual mode of calling ward meetings
14 of the citizens of Bangor qualified to vote in city affairs, and
15 submit to them in the warrant calling such meetings, the
16 question "Is the city of Bangor in favor of laying out a pub-
17 lic highway from Broad street, so called, to Exchange street,
18 so called, in said Bangor, northerly of the railroad bridge

19 crossing Kenduskeag stream, and building a bridge across
20 the said Kenduskeag stream for foot and carriage travel in
21 accordance with the provision of the act of the legislature of
22 the year 1899 giving authority to the city of Bangor to lay
23 out such a highway and to build such a bridge across said
24 Kenduskeag stream?"

If a majority of the voters voting at such ward meetings
26 shall vote "No" then the city council shall not have any
27 authority to lay out and establish such highway or to build
28 such a bridge, but if a majority of voters voting at such
29 meeting shall vote "Yes" then said act of the legislature shall
30 be in full force, and the city council shall have full authority
31 to act under it and lay out and establish such highway and
32 build such a bridge.

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, February 22, 1899.

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W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*