

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 652

House of Representatives, Mar. 17, 1911.

*Reported by Mr. Hartwell from Committee on Ways and
Bridges and ordered printed under joint rules.*

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE, in favor of the towns of Solon and Embden in
Somerset County.

Resolved: That the sum of thirteen thousand six hundred
2 forty-five dollars and twenty-two cents be and hereby is ap-
3 propriated to complete the erection of a bridge between the
4 towns of Solon and Embden in Somerset county, the same
5 to be expended under the direction of the Governor and
6 Council.

STATEMENT OF FACTS TO ACCOMPANY THE RESOLVE IN FAVOR OF THE SOLON AND EMBDEN BRIDGE.

By a resolve approved March 24, 1909, the state appropriated \$20,000 for said bridge. Pursuant to that resolve, Aug. 2, 1910, two contracts were made by the county commissioners of Somerset County and the selectmen of the towns of Solon and Embden, one with J. L. Parkin & Son for the masonry and one with the Penn Bridge Company for the bridge. These contracts were approved by the state highway commissioner and bonds executed to the State of Maine as required by law. Under their contract Parkin & Son have completed the masonry and have been paid from the state treasury \$9,752.53 in full. The Penn Bridge Company have delivered the iron for the bridge, have one span erected and expect to finish it in about four weeks, when a total amount of \$15,130 will be due them. Five thousand dollars was paid into the state treasury for the county of Somerset, making with the \$20,000 appropriated by the state \$25,000 in the state treasury on account of this bridge. Beside the payment to Parkin & Son there has been paid by the state \$1602.25, making a total of \$11,354.78, leaving a balance in the state treasury of \$13,645.22 belonging to the Solon and Embden Bridge fund. To close the account with this appropriation the outgoing state treasurer checked this sum out to Hon. Fred W. Bunker of the Governor's Council in trust for the bridge. This has been held to be irregular and Mr. Bunker has returned it to the state treasury; now the present administration calls for a new resolve appropriating the balance, \$13,645.22, so as to prevent future question as to the propriety of the payment.