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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 59 A

STATE OF MAINE

Statement of Facts accompanying Resolve in favor of Aid in Building a Highway Bridge across Moose River, in Jackman Plantation, in the County of Somerset. (House Doc. No. 59)

Moose River Bridge is built across Moose River in the Plantation of Jackman, in Somerset County, and is on what is known as the Canada Road, being the state road from Maine to Quebec.

It was built by the State of Maine, and Massachusetts ceded to Maine the township of Dennistown, on condition that it would build this road and bridge. The State of Maine built the road and bridge, and subsequently sold the township for \$2500.00 and has had the use of this money all these years. It has assisted in maintaining the bridge. The road itself is maintained by the owners of the land through which it runs.

The bridge is now in a dilapidated and ruinous condition and has got to be entirely rebuilt. The engineer estimates the cost at \$8,000.00.

The State of Maine ought equitably to pay every dollar of it, but the county asks them to pay \$4,000.00 and the county itself and three plantations will pay \$4,000.00. The expenses

ot rebuilding it should not be assessed upon the plantations, as it would be excessive.

This is a great thoroughfare from Maine to Canada, and is used very extensively, especially in the summer time.