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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 569

In Senate, March 21, 1913.

Reported by Senator Conant from Committee on Ways and Bridges, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE in favor of the State Highway Department to provide for deficiencies on certain contracts for bridge construction at Old Town and to legalize Acts of the Governor and Council.

Whereas, In nineteen hundred and twelve the governor and council, by their written order dated October eighteenth, and acting by authority of chapter two hundred twenty-four, of the resolves of nineteen hundred and eleven, authorized and directed the commissioner of highways to make such immediate repairs upon the bridges owned by the State between Old Town and Milford as in his judgment were necessary to put said bridges in safe condition for travel, the expense of same not

to exceed two thousand dollars, to be paid from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated; and,

Whereas, On November eleventh, nineteen hundred and twelve, the governor and council by their written order authorized and directed the commissioner of highways to advertise for bids for the reconstruction of the west bridge, so called, between said Old Town and Milford, and to proceed with the work of reconstruction as soon as practicable, and further ordered that said commissioner of highways at once proceed with surveys, plans and estimates for the reconstruction of the east bridge, so called; all in accordance with the recommendation of the committee of the council appointed by the governor to investigate the condition of this and other bridges between Old Town and Milford, the expense of the same to be paid in accordance with chapter two hundred twenty-four, of the resolves of nineteen hundred and eleven; and,

Whereas, On December nineteenth, the governor and council by their written order apportioned thirty-three thousand dollars for the construction of the westerly bridge, so called, between Old Town and Milford, citing as authority for the same, chapter two hundred twenty-four of the resolves of nineteen hundred and eleven, which resolve provided for repairs of bridges only and not for the building of a new bridge; and,

Whereas, Contracts have been entered into in good faith by sundry parties for the masonry work on the abutments of said west bridge as well as for the superstructure therefor; that the amount appropriated by this resolve is in the opinion of the legislature an emergency and is necessary for the preservation of the public health and safety; now, therefore,

Resolved, That in order to provide for the deficiency here2 tofore existing by reason of no appropriation in said year
3 nineteen hundred and twelve, to meet demands now falling
4 due and to provide for building the new west bridge be5 tween the city of Old Town and the town of Milford, that
6 there be appropriated the sum of thirty-three thousand dol7 lars for the year nineteen hundred and thirteen, said amount
8 to be expended under the direction of the commissioner of
9 highways.