

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 319

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*House of Representatives, Feb. 24, 1915.*

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

*C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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RESOLVE In favor of building a road around Cook Hill in  
the town of Jackson.

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*Resolved,* That there be and hereby is appropriated the sum  
2 of five hundred dollars for the purpose of building a road  
3 around Cook hill in the town of Jackson, provided there be  
4 appropriated by the town of Jackson the sum of three hun-  
5 dred dollars (\$300) for the same purpose, both sums to be  
6 expended under the supervision of the State Highway Com-  
7 mission, and further provided that this resolve shall be void  
8 and of no effect unless said town in accepting this appropri-  
9 ation thereby and in consideration thereof shall undertake  
10 that all road material, including clay, gravel, sand and rock,  
11 necessary for the improvement contemplated by this resolve  
12 shall be furnished without expense to the State, and that said  
13 town shall assume and pay all damages whatsoever arising

14 from the taking of land or from the change of grade, drain-  
15 age or alignment deemed by the State Highway Commission  
16 as necessary for said improvement. Said way when so im-  
17 proved shall be thereafter continually maintained under the  
18 direction and control of said Commission at the joint ex-  
19 pense of the State and said town; the charge against said  
20 town for maintenance of said way shall not exceed fifty per-  
21 centum of the actual cost of such maintenance nor an aver-  
22 age of thirty dollars per mile per annum, and the payment  
23 by said town of its said share of said maintenance shall be  
24 enforced in the same manner as provided in sections ten and  
25 twenty-five of chapter one hundred thirty of the Public Laws  
26 of Nineteen Hundred and Thirteen. The share of the State  
27 in said maintenance shall be paid out of the fund for admin-  
28 istration and maintenance created by virtue of section thirty-  
29 three of said chapter one hundred thirty.

### STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Cook Hill in the town of Jackson is about one-half mile north of Jackson center. It is on the direct thoroughfare from Belfast through Waldo, Brooks, Jackson and Dixmont, Plymouth and Newport. This hill is practically all ledge and it is impossible for the town to maintain a safe and passable road in its present location.

The town of Jackson has about 65 miles of road to maintain. Their annual levy for this purpose is \$1,500, besides what they raise for the State aid road each year. The town has a tax rate of 24 mills and does not feel able to make this improvement without some assistance. A considerable portion of the traffic over this road is through tourist traffic.