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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 607

House of Representatives, March 9, 1915.

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

FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Clerk pro tem.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN

RESOLVE, in favor of building a bridge across the Mattawamkeag river, in the town of Haynesville, in the county of Aroostook.

Resolved, that there be and hereby is appropriated the sum 2 of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to aid in building a bridge 3 across the Mattawamkeag river in the town of Haynesville, 4 Aroostook county, provided that there be paid by the county 5 of Aroostook the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4000), and 6 by the town of Haynesville, or otherwise, the sum of three 7 thousand dollars (\$3000) and any necessary balance; all for 8 the same purpose, and this amount together with the sum 9 herein appropriated shall be sufficient to complete said

10 bridge without further aid from the state. And said county
11 of Aroostook is hereby authorized and required to raise the
12 sum herein provided for it to raise, by taxation or otherwise
13 within two years from date of approval of this resolve.
14 Provided further that said bridge shall be kept in such re15 pair as may be directed by the State Highway Commission
16 at the expense of the town of Haynesville. All sums of
17 money to be expended under the supervision of the State
18 Highway Department.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The road leading from Haynesville to Danforth is a public thoroughfare of great importance to the people of Aroostook County, as the automobile travel from Bangor to Houlton, by way of Springfield, and Danforth is over the same.

It is also the road over which the people of Haynesville convey all their freight to and from the railway station at Danforth. The proposed Eastern Maine Railway will have a station within a thousand feet of the proposed bridge.

A survey of the location and an estimate of the cost has been made by Charles E. Cobb, civil engineer of Patten, Maine, and acording to his estimate, the completed bridge will cost \$12,140.00. The town of Haynesville is not financially able to construct the bridge, as it has an assessed valuation of only \$77,716.00 and has a population of 272, according to the last census. The tax rate is \$0.0225.