

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 782

House of Representatives, March 16, 1915.

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

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE in favor of aid in repairing the road leading from
Shin Pond to Mattagamon Post Office, Penobscot County.

Resolved, that there be and hereby is appropriated the sum
2 of one thousand dollars (\$1000) to aid in repairing the
3 road leading from Shin Pond, in the town of Mt. Chase,
4 via Sebois Farm, so called, to Mattagamon Post Office, in
5 the county of Penobscot; provided that there be appropri-
6 ated by said county of Penobscot, or otherwise, the sum of
7 one thousand dollars (\$1000) for the same purpose; both
8 sums to be expended under the supervision of the State
9 Highway Commission; provided further that the aforesaid
10 road shall be laid out and designated as a county road by
11 the County of Penobscot; provided also that this resolve
12 shall be void and of no effect unless said county in accepting

13 this appropriation thereby and in consideration thereof shall
14 undertake that all road material, including clay, gravel, sand
15 and rock, necessary for the improvement contemplated by
16 this resolve, shall be furnished without expense to the State,
17 and that said county shall assume and pay all damages what-
18 soever arising from the taking of land or from the change
19 of grade, drainage or alignment deemed by the State High-
20 way Commission as necessary for said improvement. Said
21 way when so improved shall be thereafter continually main-
22 tained under the direction and control of said Commission
23 at the joint expense of the State and said county; the charge
24 against said county for maintenance of said way shall not
25 exceed fifty per centum of the actual cost of such mainte-
26 nance nor an average of thirty dollars per mile per annum,
27 and the payment by said county of its said share of said
28 maintenance shall be enforced in the same manner as pro-
29 vided in sections ten and twenty-five of chapter one hun-
30 dred and thirty of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred
31 and Thirteen. The share of the State in said maintenance
32 shall be paid out of the fund for administration and mainte-
33 nance created by virtue of section thirty-three of said chap-
34 ter one hundred and thirty.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The roads from Patten to Grand Lake or Mattagamon, as it is called, are in use all the year. From Patten to Shin Pond there is a fairly well established and maintained road. From Shin Pond to Grand Lake the distance is about twenty-two miles and the roads are practically impassable at some seasons of the year. This road is used by sportsmen and lumbermen and the townships that they pass through cannot properly maintain them.

The mail goes from Patten to Mattagamon three times a week and at least four thousand tons of supplies each year are hauled over this road. There is a bridge at Sawtelle Brook, practically one hundred feet long which should be rebuilt as it is unsafe for traffic and has been now for nearly three years.