# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

### **SENATE**

NO. 60

In Senate, Feb. 9, 1915.

Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Burleigh of Aroostook.

## STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE, in favor of aid in the construction of a highway bridge over the Saint John river between the town of Madawaska, Maine, and the city of Edmundston, New Brunswick.

Resolved, That there be and hereby is appropriated the 2 sum of nine thousand dollars to be available in the year nine-3 teen hundred and fifteen, and nine thousand dollars to be 4 available in the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, for the 5 purpose of aiding in the construction of a highway bridge 6 across the St. John river between some point within the 7 limits of the town of Madawaska and the city of Edmunds-8 ton in New Brunswick. Provided the county of Aroostook 9 appropriates the sum of six thousand dollars in the year 10 nineteen hundred and fifteen, and six thousand dollars in 11 the year nineteen hundred and sixteen, and that the town of

12 Madawaska appropriates in cash or otherwise the sum of 13 fifteen hundred dollars in the year nineteen hundred and 14 fifteen, and fifteen hundred dollars in the year nineteen hun-15 dred and sixteen, all for the same purpose.

Provided further that the expenditure of this amount shall not be made unless the Dominion of Canada or the province 8 of New Brunswick appropriates the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars to be expended for the construction of said 20 bridge. Said appropriation shall be expended under the direction of the state commissioner of highways who, acting 22 in concert with such person or persons as may be designated 23 by the Dominion of Canada or the province of New Bruns-24 wick, shall have charge of the construction of said bridge.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS.

This bridge will be located on the St. John river, twenty miles below the town of Fort Kent and twenty-four miles above the town of Van Buren, and would connect the town of Madawaska, Maine, and the city of Edmundston, New Brunswick. There is a very large travel across the St. John at this point and when the ice and logs are running it is very dangerous crossing—in fact several lives have been lost in attempting to do so. The main road from the St. John river to the St. Lawrence river starts near the north end of the location of this bridge. Edmundston is the end of the Canadian Pacific and the Temiscouata Railway and the Grand Trunk Pacific pass through this town.