

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 619

House of Representatives, March 20, 1917.

Printed under joint rules.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to authorize the county of Aroostook to enlarge and
repair the court houses at Houlton and Caribou in said
county.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. The county of Aroostook is hereby authorized
2 and empowered to expend so much as shall be needed not
3 to exceed in all the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars in
4 altering, enlarging, repairing and equipping the Court House
5 at Houlton in said county and the court house at Caribou
6 in said county, and in enlarging, remodeling and rebuild-
7 ing at Houlton the vaults for the records of the clerk of

8 courts, the register of probate, and the register of deeds,
9 so as to make them safe for the keeping of the records of
10 said county offices.

Sect. 2. For the purpose of raising the money necessary
2 to carry out the provisions of this act, said county through
3 its county commissioners, is hereby authorized and empow-
4 ered to make a loan or loans and to cause notes or obliga-
5 tions of said county with coupons for interest at a rate not
6 to exceed six percent to be issued, payable at regular peri-
7 ods not exceeding twenty years from the date of issuance.
8 Said commissioners shall determine the amount, time of
9 payment, rate of interest, (not exceeding six percent) and
10 form of said notes or obligations and may issue the same
11 from time to time as the money is needed to pay for the
12 work done under this act.

Sect. 3. The county commissioners, the clerk of courts,
2 the county treasurer, Frederick A. Powers of Houlton, Her-
3 bert W. Trafton of Fort Fairfield, Charles P. Allen of
4 Presque Isle, Cyrus F. Small of Caribou and Patrick Theri-
5 ault of Grand Isle, all in said county, are hereby constitut-
6 ed and appointed a commission to prepare plans and make
7 contracts for the carrying out of the provisions of this act,
8 and said commission is hereby vested with full power to
9 determine the amount of money to be spent in altering, re-
10 pairing and enlarging said court houses or either of them,
11 and to determine the kind and extent of the repairs and
12 extensions to be done on either of said court houses, if any,

13 and shall have power to determine what amount of money
14 shall be spent on the court house at Houlton and what
15 amount shall be spent on the court house at Caribou, and
16 shall have power to employ architects to assist in deter-
17 mining the necessary repairs, extensions, and improvements
18 on said court houses or either of them. Said commission-
19 ers may organize and appoint necessary officers and may
20 authorize any member or members of the commission to
21 act for the commission in carrying out the provisions of
22 this act. Said commission shall have the power to fill va-
23 cancies existing for any cause, and shall serve without pay,
24 but all necessary expenses of said commission in carrying
25 out the provisions of this act shall be paid out of the money
26 raised under this act.

And whereas the law requires all contracts for public
2 building construction to be made after public notice and
3 public bidding, which takes time, and whereas it is neces-
4 sary to construct the buildings and safety vaults called for
5 in said act, forthwith and during the summer season of
6 nineteen hundred seventeen, and whereas the public inter-
7 est in the records of the county of Aroostook requires that
8 the said records be immediately protected. And whereas,
9 by reason of the foregoing facts an emergency exists such
10 as is contemplated by the Constitution of Maine and the
11 passage of this act is immediately necessary to the public
12 good,

Resolved in view of the emergency set forth herein this
2 act, two-thirds of all the members elected to each House
3 having so directed, shall take effect when approved.