

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 214

In Senate, Feb. 21, 1917.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Bridges and one thousand copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

Presented by Mr. Lord of York.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to provide state aid for the construction of highways
extending continuously through three or more towns.

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

Section 1. Three or more towns through which extends a
2 continuous highway not less than fifteen miles in length may,
3 not later than April 1 in any one year, vote to appropriate
4 for the construction of such highway as a state aid highway,
5 sums determined according to the provisions of section
6 eighteen of chapter twenty-five of the revised statutes, or
7 any multiples thereof, up to five times such sums.

Sect. 2. When three or more such towns through which
2 extends continuously at least fifteen miles of such highway
3 shall have so appropriated, the state highway commission
4 shall, from the fund for the construction of state aid high-
5 ways, set apart for the construction of such highway, an
6 aggregate sum the component parts whereof shall be
7 determined as follows :

In the case of a town having appropriated an amount
2 determined according to the provisions of said section
3 eighteen, there shall be set apart the same amount as under
4 the provisions of section twenty of said chapter twenty-five,
5 would be apportioned to such town; in the case of a town
6 having increased its appropriation over the amount deter-
7 mined according to the provisions of said section eighteen to
8 any multiple thereof, there shall be set apart a sum repre-
9 senting a like increase, together with an additional sum equal
10 to twenty-five per cent of such increase in the case of a town
11 appropriating twice the amount determined by said section
12 eighteen, fifty per cent of such increase; in the case of a
13 town appropriating three times the amount determined by
14 said section eighteen, seventy-five per cent of such increase
15 in the case of a town appropriating four times the amount
16 determined by said section eighteen, and one hundred per
17 cent of such increase in the case of a town appropriating five
18 times the amount determined by said section eighteen.

Sect. 3. The aggregate sum so set apart together with the
2 sums appropriated by such towns shall constitute a joint

3 fund for the construction of such state aid highway and
4 shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the
5 State Highway Commission; provided that all money appro-
6 priated by any such town shall be expended upon that por-
7 tion of such highway lying within the limits thereof, and
8 that of the money set apart by the State Highway Commis-
9 sion, as hereinbefore provided, so much thereof as is set
10 apart in consequence of the appropriation made by any such
11 town and is required for the completion of that portion of
12 the highway lying within such town shall be expended there-
13 in. Payments by the towns of the sums by them appro-
14 priated under the provisions of this act, in whole or in part,
15 shall be made forthwith to the Treasurer of State on
16 requisition by the commission as the work progresses.

Sect. 4. Towns making appropriations under the pro-
2 visions of this act shall do so by acting upon an article in the
3 warrant for the meeting at which such appropriation is made
4 of substantially the following tenor:

Article _____, To see what sum if any the town will vote
2 to raise in accordance with the provisions of chapter (here
3 insert number of this chapter) of the Public Laws of nineteen
4 hundred and seventeen for the construction of a state high-
5 way extending from (here insert description of highway
6 sufficient to make certain its location),
7 and the description set out in such article shall be the same
8 in substance for all such towns; cities making such appro-

9 priations shall incorporate into the act or order therefor a
10 similar description of the contemplated highway.

Sect. 5. Towns availing themselves of the provisions of
2 this act, shall in the same year, receive no other money under
3 the provisions of sections twenty or twenty-one of said
4 chapter twenty-five.