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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 368

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W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Provide State Aid for the Construction of High-
ways 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
3 may, not later than April first in any one year, vote to ap-
4 propriate for the construction of such highway as a state
5 aid highway, sums determined according to the provisions
6 of section eighteen of chapter twenty-five of the revised
7 statutes, or any multiples thereof, up to five times such
8 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 deter-
7 mined as follows:

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

Sect. 3. The aggregate sum so set apart, together with

2 the sums appropriated by such towns, shall constitute a
3 joint fund for the construction of such state aid highway
4 and shall be expended under the direction and supervision
5 of the state highway commission; provided that all money
6 appropriated by any such town shall be expended upon that
7 portion 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
13 therein. Payments by the towns of the sums by them ap-
14 propriated under the provisions of this act, in whole or in
15 part, 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 provi-
2 sions of this act shall do so by acting upon an article, in the
3 warrant for the meeting at which such appropriation is
4 made, 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.