

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Reported by Mr. Merrill from the Committee on Ways and Bridges and the report tabled by the same gentleman pending acceptance of report and the New Draft ordered printed.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE  
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE**

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AN ACT to Establish a State Highway Commission.

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

Section 1. Section three of chapter twenty-five of the re-  
2 vised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by  
3 striking out all of said section as amended and substituting  
4 in lieu thereof the following:

'Sect. 3. The state highway commission shall consist of  
2 three members appointed by the governor with the advice  
3 and consent of the council, for the terms of three years,  
4 except that in the appointments to be made when this act  
5 becomes effective, the term of one of the members shall

6 be made for one year only, and the term of one other of  
7 the members shall be made for two years only. Vacancies  
8 occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired  
9 term. The commission shall choose a chairman from its  
10 members every year, and in case of failure to make such  
11 choice the governor shall appoint the chairman. The at-  
12 torney-general shall be attorney for the commission and  
13 shall without additional compensation give the commission  
14 such advice and service as it may from time to time re-  
15 quire. The commission shall be furnished with suitable  
16 offices at the seat of government. They shall make an an-  
17 nual report to the governor and council of their doings and  
18 the expenditures of their office, with such statement rela-  
19 tive to the construction and maintenance of public high-  
20 ways and such recommendations as to the general policy of  
21 the state relative thereto as they consider appropriate. The  
22 report shall be transmitted to the secretary of state on or  
23 before the thirty-first day of December each year.'

Sect. 2. Section thirty-four of chapter one hundred and  
2 seventeen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by  
3 striking out the word "one" which is the last word in the  
4 second line of said section, and by inserting in place there-  
5 of the word 'three;' and also adding after the word "thou-  
6 sand," which is the first word in the third line of said sec-  
7 tion, the words 'five hundred,' so that said section, as amend-  
8 ed, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 34. Each member of the state highway commission

2 shall receive an annual salary of three thousand, five hun-  
3 dred dollars; they shall also receive their actual expenses  
4 incurred in the performance of their official duties.'

Sect. 3. Said commission when appointed and qualified  
2 under this act shall perform all the duties and may exer-  
3 cise all the rights and powers of the present state highway  
4 commission, which is hereby abolished.