

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE**

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**Senate Document**

**No. 114**

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S. P. 311.

In Senate, Feb. 6, 1929.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Carlton of Sagadahoc.

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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 Permit Cities and Towns to lay out Bridle Paths  
and Bridle Trails.

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

Section 1. The municipal officers of any city or town  
2 may, on petition therefor, personally or by agency, lay out,  
3 alter, or discontinue bridle paths and bridle trails in their  
4 city or town, giving such notice and proceeding in the same  
5 manner as is provided for the laying out of town ways.  
6 All provisions now in force as to assessment of damages  
7 and appeal therefrom in cases of laying out, altering, and  
8 discontinuing town ways shall apply to laying out, altering,  
9 and discontinuing bridle paths and trails, except that the

10 petitioners shall have no right of appeal.

Sect. 2. Bridle paths and trails, when so laid out and ac-  
2 cepted, shall be subject to such regulations as to use as  
3 may be established by the city or town laying them out.

Sect. 3. Cities and towns maintaining such bridle paths  
2 and trails shall not be under any obligation to keep them  
3 in repair, or to break them out in winter; providing that if  
4 any city or town shall erect a ridge on such bridle path or  
5 trail, it shall be under the same obligation to keep such  
6 bridge in a safe condition for the use of horses and riders,  
7 as it is now under to keep highway bridges in repair for the  
8 purposes for which they are used. But such city or town  
9 shall erect at the entrance of such bridle paths and trails  
10 suitable signs, signifying that they are bridle paths or trails,  
11 only, and not for use of vehicles, and that persons may use  
12 them at their own risk.