

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY - SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 10

S. P. 37

In Senate, Jan. 11, 1933.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Bridges and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Kitchen of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THREE

RESOLVE, Suspending Certain Acts which Require Expenditure of Tax Money on the Construction of New Highways.

Emergency Preamble. Whereas, the income of the state from tax receipts is decreasing and during the remainder of the current fiscal year and during the fiscal years 1933 and 1934, and 1934 and 1935 will be much less than during the fiscal year 1931 and 1932, and,

Whereas, certain public acts now in effect require the expenditure of large amounts of state tax moneys for the construction of new highways, and

Whereas it is necessary in order that the financial condition of the state may be safeguarded during the present economic depression, and the state budget balanced without increasing the tax burden on the citizens of the state, that expenditures for such new construction should be curtailed temporarily, and

Whereas in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of article 31 of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, therefore be it

Resolved: That until the expiration of the fiscal year 1934 and 1935, to wit until June 30, 1935, inclusive, the operation is suspended of the following acts and parts of acts and all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the suspension thereof:

Sections 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 26, 27, 31, 32, 42, and 43 of chapter 28 of the revised statutes; paragraphs 5, 6 and 7 of section 2 of chapter 251 of the public laws of 1931, and be it further

Resolved: That for the period above mentioned the amounts set forth in sub-sections 1, 3 and 4 of section 2 of chapter 251 of the public laws of 1931 shall read as follows:

1. \$120,000.
3. \$150,000.
4. \$180,000.

And be it further

Resolved: That authority shall be given the state highway commission to use highway loan funds and general highway funds to meet outstanding contract obligations.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble hereof, this resolve shall take effect when approved.