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H. P. 667

House of Representatives, Jan. 31, 1933.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hawkes of Richmond.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE

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AN ACT Relating to Tolls of Maine Kennebec Bridge.

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

**P. & S. L. 1929, c. 118, § 8, amended.** Section 8 of chapter 118 of the private and special laws of 1929 is hereby amended to read as follows :

**‘Sec. 8. Toll bridge until state is reimbursed; funds deposited for maintenance, upkeep, etc.** Said bridge when constructed shall be operated as a toll bridge until the revenue therefrom shall amount to a sum sufficient to reimburse the state, for the amount appropriated for the purpose of this act, at which time the bridge shall be free to public travel. The directors shall charge and collect such tolls for use and crossing of said bridge by vehicles and travellers on foot, and other traffic as may from time to time be determined and ordered by the public utilities commission. The public utilities commission is hereby authorized and directed to establish and promulgate the tolls to be charged, **and may suspend temporarily the collection of tolls whenever in its opinion the expense of collecting would exceed the receipts from the tolls to be collected.** Said commission may from time to time establish and promulgate new tolls and may provide for the issue of trip or commutation tickets at less than the regular tolls, good for a definite number of passengers across said bridge within a specified time, having regard to the value of the service rendered, and the requirements for upkeep, maintenance, repairs and operation of said bridge, and

the providing for the payment of interest on the amount appropriated. All money collected as tolls shall be regularly deposited by the directors, in some bank or trust company designated therefor by the governor and council, and on the first secular day of each month, the balance so on deposit shall be transmitted by them to the state treasurer. From the funds so received the state treasurer on warrants signed by the directors and approved by the governor and council and by the state auditor, shall pay all bills for maintenance, upkeep, repairs and operation of said bridge, and shall also pay the interest on the amount appropriated for the purposes of this act; any balance shall be held by him as a separate fund for the reimbursement of the amount appropriated, as provided in this act.'