

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 317

In Senate, January 31, 1935.

Read and Adopted, sent down for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Burkett of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIVE

Memorial in Regard to Maine Coast Scenic Highway

Whereas, the fullest development of Maine's recreational industry requires the utmost utilization of its coastline, including its numerous sand beaches, its towering rocky headlands, its coves and inlets, and its rough and rugged ocean scenery; and

Whereas, the coastline of Maine, although world-famous, is practically inaccessible to our summer tourists, as well as our own citizens, at many of its most beautiful points, and is visible from improved highways only at rare intervals; and

Whereas, a scenic route, offering to the vacationist the opportunity to enjoy our coastline, would also greatly relieve the congested condition of our main highways paralleling our sea coast; now therefore be it

Resolved: That the eighty-seventh legislature of the state of Maine heartily endorses a program whereby all sections of the Maine coastline, where practical, would be connected by a scenic highway, and earnestly recommends to the State Highway Commission that it cause a survey to be made of a continuous highway closely paralleling the ocean; such survey to be made in cooperation with the Governor and Council, and with the proper officials and representative citizens of each town or city through which the route passes; and recommends that the Governor appoint a com-

mittee of interested citizens composed of one member from each of the eight counties which border our sea coast, to assume the direction of said survey and to further its speedy progress, and to work and act in conjunction with the above-mentioned officials in making a study of a route and in bringing the various communities to a common agreement in the interests of such route, and further recommends to the State Highway Commission that as soon as such route is located, that it proceed to acquire by purchase or by right of eminent domain the necessary right-of-way to establish such route as a state highway, eventually to be marked with fitting and attractive directional signs, which signs shall bear the name of the Maine Coast Scenic Highway. Be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State send copies of this Memorial to the Governor and Council and to the members of the State Highway Commission.