

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 374

In Senate, February 5, 1935.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Bridges, sent down for concurrence and 1000 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Cowan of Lincoln.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
THIRTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT Relating to Construction and Maintenance of Bridges on State  
Highways, State Aid Highways and Third Class Highways.**

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

**Sec. 1. P. L., 1931, c. 93, § 1, amended.** Section 1 of chapter 93 of the public laws of 1931, as amended, is hereby repealed and the following is enacted in place thereof:

**'Sec. 1. Bridges to be cared for by state; board created to designate bridges to be built or improved.** The construction, reconstruction, improvement and maintenance of all bridges on state highways, state aid highways, third class highways, and all approaches thereto, begun subsequent to the 1st day of July, 1934, shall be borne wholly by the state.

The state highway commission and the county commissioners of each county and the municipal officers of each town and city shall constitute a joint board for the purpose of designating bridges and approaches thereto to be constructed, reconstructed, improved and maintained in such county on state highways, state aid highways and third class highways. Said joint board in each county shall from time to time determine and designate bridges and approaches thereto to be constructed, reconstructed, improved or maintained on the aforesaid highways and shall base their determination and designation upon the amount of money allotted to such county in

the manner hereinafter set out, but in no event making a designation which will create an expense in excess of the amount at that time allotted to such county. All money provided by the legislature, or by state bond issue, or by federal government, or in any other manner, for the construction, reconstruction, improvement and maintenance of such bridges and approaches thereto shall be apportioned and allotted to the several counties in the state proportionately according to the ratio of the number of miles of all state highways, state aid highways and third class highways in such county already actually improved to the aggregate miles of actually improved state highways, state aid highways and third class highways in all the counties of the state.'

**Sec. 2. P. L., 1931, c. 93, § 2, amended.** Section 2 of chapter 93 of the public laws of 1931 is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof :

**'Sec. 2. Highways defined.** For the purpose of this act state highways, state aid highways and third class highways are defined to be those highways which have been and may in the future be so designated by the state highway commission in accordance with section 5 of chapter 28 of the revised statutes.'