

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 237

S. P. 176

In Senate, February 2, 1943.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Varney of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-THREE

AN ACT Amending the Charter of the Portsmouth-Kittery Bridge Authority.

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

P. & S. L., 1937, c. 18, § 6, amended. Section 6 of chapter 18 of the private and special laws of 1937 is hereby amended to read as follows :

'Sec. 6. Incorporation; powers. The "Maine-New Hampshire Interstate Bridge Authority" shall be a corporation in the state of Maine and shall have powers (1) to sue and be sued; (2) to have a seal and alter the same at pleasure; (3) to adopt from time to time and amend by-laws covering its procedure, rules and regulations governing use of the bridge and any of the other services made available in connection with said bridge, to publish the same, if such publication is necessary or advisable and to cause records of its proceedings to be kept; (4) to construct, maintain, reconstruct and operate an interstate toll bridge over the Piscataqua river between the city of Portsmouth in New Hampshire and the town of Kittery in Maine and for this purpose; (5) to acquire, hold and dispose of personal property for its purposes; (6) to acquire in the name of the Authority by purchase, condemnation, lease or otherwise, **any** real property and rights or easements therein, deemed by it necessary or desirable for its purposes, and to use such property; **and to dispose of such real estate holdings**

as the Authority shall deem unnecessary for the maintenance of the services authorized herein; (7) to acquire any such real property by the exercise of the power of condemnation in the manner provided by law; (8) to charge and collect fees, fares, and tolls for use of said bridge and other services made available in connection with the said bridge, subject to and in accordance with such agreement with bondholders as may be made as hereinafter provided; (9) to make contracts with the United States, the state of New Hampshire, the state of Maine, public corporations or bodies existing therein, and private corporations and individuals; (10) to accept grants and the cooperation of the United States or any agency thereof in the construction, maintenance, reconstruction, operation and financing of the bridge and its highway approaches and to do any and all things necessary in order to avail itself of such aid and cooperation; (11) to employ such assistants, agents and servants as it shall deem necessary or desirable for its purposes; (12) to exercise any of its powers in the public domain of the United States unless the exercise of such powers is not permitted by the laws of the United States; (13) to borrow money, make and issue negotiable notes, bonds and other evidences of indebtedness or obligations of the Authority and to secure the payment of such obligation or any part thereof by pledge of any part of the revenue of the bridge; and (14) to do all other lawful things necessary and incidental to the foregoing powers. All property of the Authority and all property held in the name of the state pursuant to the provisions hereof shall be exempt from levy and sale by virtue of any execution and no execution or other judicial process shall be a lien upon its property held pursuant to the provisions hereof.'