

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1623

S. P. 699

In Senate, May 6, 1949.

In Senate rules suspended, read twice, May 6, 1949 and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Crosby of Franklin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Make Allocations from the General Highway Fund for the
Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1950, and June 30, 1951.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves passed by the legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the said 90-day period will not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of the state highway commission will become due and payable on or immediately after July 1, 1949; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Allocation of general highway fund. Income to the general highway fund for the next 2 fiscal years—from July 1, 1949 to June 30,

1950 and from July 1, 1950 to June 30, 1951—shall be segregated, apportioned and expended as designated in the following schedules:

	1949-1950	1950-1951
A Bond Interest	\$ 280,261	\$ 229,538
B Bond Retirement	1,629,000	1,429,000
C Highways and Bridges		
1. General Administration, State Highway Commission	241,000	251,000
2. Construction of state aid roads	1,230,000	1,230,000
3. Construction of bridges (R. S. 1944, Chapter 20, §§ 82-92)	800,000	800,000
4. For matching federal funds apportioned under Federal Aid Highway Acts of 1944 and 1948	3,000,000	3,300,000
5. Maintenance of state and state aid high- ways	5,445,000	5,445,000
6. Betterments, state highways	1,000,000	1,000,000
7. Snow removal	1,875,000	1,875,000
8. Maintenance of bridges	445,000	445,000
9. Special resolves of the legislature for re- pair and construction of highways and bridges	175,000	150,000
10. Roads on North Haven, Vinalhaven, Swan's Island, Isle au Haut and Cran- berry Isle, in accordance with Chapter 99, Private and Special Laws of 1937 and Chapter 87, Private and Special Laws of 1939	7,000	7,000
11. Town Road Improvement Fund	500,000	500,000
12. Compensation for injuries	50,000	50,000
13. Topographic mapping	10,000	10,000
14. Grade crossing protection, state and state aid roads	20,000	20,000
D State Police		
1. General administration and maintenance	661,300	660,596
E Public Buildings		
1. State Police Headquarters, maintenance	7,780	8,015

	1949-50	1950,1951
2. Motor Vehicle Registration Building, maintenance	10,130	10,600
F Secretary of State		
1. Motor Vehicle Division, general administration	303,890	314,213
G Contributions and Transfers to Other Funds		
1. To general fund for accounting, auditing, purchasing and legal services to the State Highway Commission	49,223	49,210
2. Bureau of Taxation, administration of gasoline and use fuel tax	37,570	36,750
3. To Special Revenue Funds for auditing services rendered to the State Highway Commission	3,850	3,850
4. To Trust Funds, Employees' Retirement System	156,714	159,165
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	\$17,937,718	\$17,983,937

H The state highway commission may enter into agreements with the Public Roads Administration of the Federal Works Agency to provide for obligating \$3,600,000 of general highway funds to be collected during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, for matching federal aid apportioned to the state of Maine under the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1948.

The State Highway Commission may expend state and/or Federal funds not exceeding \$200,000 for maintenance and repairs of the Vaughan Bridge in Cumberland County between Portland and South Portland.

Sec. 2. Allocation of the unappropriated general highway fund surplus. The unappropriated general highway fund surplus, with the approval of the governor and council, may be apportioned by the state highway commission for the following purposes:

1. For payment of such cost as may be necessary for bond interest and retirement in addition to the amounts hereinbefore allocated.
2. For matching federal funds.
3. For maintenance of state and state aid highways.

4. For construction of bridges on state, state aid and third class highways under the provisions of sections 82 to 92, inclusive, of chapter 20 of the revised statutes.
5. For extra administration costs not anticipated in the budget of any department or agency receiving allocations from the general highway fund.

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