

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 95th LEGI**SL**ATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 658, L. D. 367, Bill, "An Act to Authorize the County Commissioners of Cumberland County to Issue Bonds for Bridge Repairs."

Amend said act by inserting before the last paragraph headed "Emergency Clause" the following:

'There is hereby created a board to be called the Portland Bridge Advisory Board to be composed of the members of the State Highway Commission, the City Manager of Portland, the City Manager of South Portland, and five members of the 95th Legislature; one to be a member of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and four members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, and a representative of Portland Terminal Company, to be appointed by the President of that corporation, which said board shall organize and elect a chairman and a secretary from their own number, and who shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed, as hereinafter provided, for their necessary expenses incurred while serving as a member of said board. Said board, together with the County Commissioners of said Cumberland County shall study the present needs for repairs and maintenance of said bridge as now existing, and the advisability of construction of a bridge at a location and of a height that will make unnecessary the construction and maintenance of a draw for the passage of vessels; and for said purposes the State Highway Commission shall employ its engineers and may, if it deems advisable, consult with other engineers specially experienced in bridge design and construction, and shall obtain estimates of cost.

Said board shall make a report to the Governor and Council of its findings and recommendations not later than November 30, 1951.

Any expenses incurred by said board, including necessary expenses of the members of the board, except officials and employees of the State Highway Commission and Portland Terminal Company, while engaged in the duties of the board, and the expenses of any necessary or emergency repairs or replacements to said bridge, shall be paid by the county treasurer on written order of the county commissioners, from the Bridge Repair and Reconstruction Fund authorized by Chapter 131 of the Private and Special Laws of 1949.

Filed by Mr. Burkett of Portland.

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