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Legislative Document

No. 749

S. P. 333

In Senate, February 16, 1951.

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Marshall of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-ONE

**AN ACT Relating to Location and Alteration of State and State Aid
Highways.**

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

R. S., c. 20, § 15-A, additional. Chapter 20 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 15-A, to read as follows:

‘Sec. 15-A. State liable for damage and expense caused to owners of water pipes, conduits, mains, hydrants and appurtenances thereof. Whenever the state highway commission shall lay out state or state aid highways, or shall alter, widen or change the grade of any state or state aid highway as provided in section 15 to the injury of the owner of any water pipes, conduits, mains, hydrants and appurtenances thereof, located in or under said highway and used for the carrying or distribution of water, the owner of said water pipes, conduits, mains, hydrants or appurtenances thereof shall be entitled to receive from the state equitable compensation for the damage and expense caused to the owner of said water pipes, conduits, mains, hydrants and appurtenances thereof, as the result of said layout or said alteration, widening or changing of the grade. The damage and ex-

pense sustained by said owner shall be determined on petition of the owner by the public utilities commission, and said damage and expense shall be paid by the treasurer of state, from appropriate funds provided by law, said board shall fix the time and place for its hearings and give written notice thereof. The board shall notify the interested parties by registered mail of the final decision of the board. Any person aggrieved by said determination may appeal therefrom as herein provided in section 15.'