

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

95th LEGISLATURE

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 564, L. D. 1357, Bill "An Act to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds on Behalf of the State of Maine for the Purpose of Building State Highways."

Amend the title of said Bill by adding after the word "Bonds" the following words: 'in the Amount of Twenty-Seven Million Dollars'.

Further amend said Bill by striking out section 2 thereof and inserting in place thereof the following sections:

'Sec. 2. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. No action shall be taken or liability incurred under this act unless and until the people of Maine shall have ratified the issuance of bonds in behalf of the state at such time and in such amounts as set forth in this act for the purpose of construction or reconstruction of state highways and bridges.

Sec. 3. Referendum for ratification. The aldermen of cities, the selectmen of towns and the assessors of the several plantations of this state are hereby empowered and directed to notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and holding biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of senators and representatives, at the next general or special state-wide election, to give in their votes upon the acceptance or rejection of the foregoing act, and the question shall be: "Shall a bond issue be ratified for the purposes set forth in 'An Act to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds in the Amount of Twenty-Seven Million Dollars on Behalf of the State of Maine for the Purpose of Building State Highways', passed by the 95th legislature?"

And the inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed within a square upon their ballots their opinion of the same, those in favor of said ratification voting "YES" and those opposed to said ratification voting "NO" and the ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings, and return made to the office of the secretary of state in the same manner as votes for governor and members of the legislature, and the governor and council shall count the same and if it shall appear that a majority of the inhabitants voting on the question are in favor of said act, the governor shall forthwith make known the fact by his proclamation, and the act shall thereupon become effective as of the date of said proclamation.

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Secretary of state shall prepare ballots. The secretary of state shall prepare and furnish to the several cities, towns and plantations ballots and blank returns in conformity with the foregoing act, accompanied by a copy thereof.

Presented by Senator Crosby of Franklin.

Read and adopted in the Senate May 8, 1951.

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