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Legislative Document

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S. P. 96

In Senate, January 29, 1957.

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Ferguson of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Combining Use of State Aid and Town Road Improvement Funds.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 23, § 65-A, additional. Chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 65-A, to read as follows:

‘Sec. 65-A. Combined use of state aid and town road improvement funds. Municipal officers may petition the Commission for authority to combine state aid allocations and town road improvement funds into a single fund for construction or reconstruction of their roads. The Commission is authorized to grant such authority, notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter to the contrary, subject to the following conditions:

- I. The municipal officers shall submit to the Commission a plan of all state aid and town ways with specifications for construction or reconstruction based upon present and projected future use of such ways, irrespective of the existing classifications of such ways, with such supporting data as the Commission shall deem necessary.
- II. The municipal officers shall in addition submit a proposed 5-year construction-reconstruction program based upon specifications contained in the plan under subsection I.
- III. The 5-year construction-reconstruction program shall contain specific proposals and financial commitments of the municipality for the year under consideration.

IV. Upon approval of the program by the Commission, the Commission shall authorize the municipal officers to combine state aid joint funds and town road improvement funds into a single fund to be used to carry out the approved construction-reconstruction program, provided further that the Commission shall apportion to the municipality one unit of state aid up to \$1,500 matched in accordance with the provisions of section 46, from the supplemental state aid account, which shall be in addition to apportionments under sections 46 to 51, inclusive.

V. Funds apportioned by the Commission under the provisions of section 50 shall not be used under this section unless such funds are to be expended in accordance with the provisions of section 50.'

Sec. 2. Allocation. There is hereby allocated from the general highway fund the sum of \$37,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1959 to carry out the purposes of this act; said sum to be designated as the supplemental state aid account.