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In Senate, May 14, 1957

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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-SEVEN

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**RESOLVE, Authorizing Jim Adams, Inc. to Sue the State of Maine.**

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**Jim Adams, Inc. authorized to sue State of Maine. Resolved:** That Jim Adams, Inc., a Maine corporation duly organized and existing by law, with its principal place of business located in city of Bangor, county of Penobscot, State of Maine, which company suffered damage by loss of business and business interruption in its automobile agency and maintenance repair shop by the construction of the Bangor-Brewer bridge and the altering, widening and changing of grade of Union street in said Bangor in connection therewith, be and hereby is, authorized to institute a suit in the Superior Court for said Penobscot county within one year from the first day of August, 1957, at any term thereof, against the State of Maine. The writ issuing out of said Superior Court under the authority of this resolve shall be served on the Secretary of State by attested copy 30 days before the return day thereof by the sheriff or either of his deputies in any county of the State of Maine, and the conduct of said suit shall be according to the practices of suits and proceedings between parties and suitors in said Superior Court; and the Attorney General is hereby authorized and designated to appear and to answer said suit to recover the damages sustained as aforesaid, and any judgment that may be recovered in such suit shall be payable from the general highway fund of the State of Maine on final process issued by said Court and costs may be taxed for said Jim Adams, Inc. if it recover in said suit. Hearing thereon shall be before 3 Justices of the Superior Court, without a jury; said Justices to be assigned by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS

Jim Adams, Inc. is agent for Nash automobile in the Bangor area and has its place of business in Bangor on Union street at the site of the new Bangor-Brewer bridge. During the construction of the bridge and the changes in Union street, and for some time following the completion of the bridge, access to the place of business was hindered to an extent of virtually stopping business operations on the property and interrupting the business so as to cause loss of business aggregating \$40,400.