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House of Representatives, February 11, 1959.

Referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Earles of South Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Authorize County Commissioners of Cumberland County to Issue
Bonds for Portland Bridge Repairs.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, in the judgment of the county commissioners of Cumberland County, Portland Bridge is badly in need of repairs to, or rebuilding of, the riprap, cement work, structural steel, bridge deck, sidewalks and railings and other repairs or rebuilding in general; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the county commissioners of Cumberland County the completion of necessary repairs will substantially lengthen the useful life of the bridge and make it adequate for vehicular traffic; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the county commissioners of Cumberland County, the cost of necessary repairs is estimated to be about \$1,000,000, which amount is considered too great to be provided for in the county estimates; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the county commissioners of Cumberland County, public convenience and necessity require the execution of the above described repairs immediately in order to maintain Portland Bridge safe and dependable for travel by persons and vehicles; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Bond issue authorized. The county commissioners of Cumberland County, in order to provide funds to pay for the repair and reconstruction of Portland Bridge, so called, are hereby authorized to issue the interest-bearing bonds of said Cumberland County to an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000. Said bonds shall bear such rates of interest and mature at such times as said county commissioners may determine; but none of which shall run for a longer period than 20 years from date of original issue thereof. Such bonds shall be valid without first obtaining the consent of said county as provided in the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 89, sections 27 and 29.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.