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Chapter 134.

An Act to Change the Name of the Unitarian Church of Augusta, Maine.

Name changed to All Souls. The name of the Unitarian Church of Augusta, Maine, is hereby changed to All Souls Church (Unitarian) of Augusta, Maine.

Approved March 29, 1917.

Chapter 135.

An Act to Establish the Mount Desert Bridge District, for the Purpose of Acquiring, Freeing and Reconstructing the Mount Desert Toll Bridge in the Town of Trenton in Hancock County.

Emergency preamble. Whereas the Mount Desert Toll Bridge which this act contemplates making a free bridge, is the only means of access by land to the large and populous island of Mount Desert, and

Whereas said bridge is in a dilapidated, weak and unsafe condition and wholly inadequate to accommodate the large summer traffic, and from reasons both of public safety and convenience the work of reconstruction should be begun forthwith, and

Whereas by reason of the foregoing facts an emergency exists such as is contemplated by the constitution, and the passage of this act is 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:

Sec. 1. Mount Desert Bridge District created. The towns of Eden, Mount Desert, Southwest Harbor, Tremont and Trenton, in the county of Hancock, and the people within the same, shall constitute a public municipal corporation under the name of the Mount Desert Bridge District, for the purpose of acquiring the toll bridge, approaches and toll house, together with all franchises belonging to the same, owned by the Mount Desert Toll Bridge Co. extending across the Narrows, so-called, from the main land to Thompson's Island, all in the town of Trenton, or for the construction of a bridge in a new location across said Narrows.

Sec. 2. Authorized to purchase existing bridge. Said bridge district is hereby empowered, if the trustees hereinafter provided for deem best, to purchase said existing bridge, and pay therefor a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars.

Sec. 3. Right of eminent domain. Said Mount Desert Bridge District shall have the right of eminent domain to take all land necessary for laying out a location for a new bridge, approaches and buildings for tools, draw