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### Private and Special Laws

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# STATE OF MAINE

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#### Chapter 186.

An Act to Enable the Town of Mexico in the County of Oxford to Free the Mexico Toll Bridge to Public Travel.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, the Mexico toll bridge connecting the towns of Rumford and Mexico, and used by a large percentage of the traveling public in the eastern part of Oxford county, is owned by the Rumford and Mexico Bridge District, which said district consists of a part of the town of Mexico and which said district is willing to sell said bridge and make it a free bridge, and, whereas said bridge does not come within the provision of chapter three hundred nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and fifteen, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Transfer authorized. The municipal officers of the town of Mexico are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to purchase the toll bridge owned by the Rumford and Mexico Bridge District, connecting the towns of Rumford and Mexico, for the purpose of making the same a free bridge, and the Rumford and Mexico Bridge District is hereby authorized to sell said bridge.

Sec. 2. State's apportionment. For the purpose of aiding in the purchase of said bridge, the sum of three thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to be paid to the treasurer of the town of Mexico as hereinafter directed.

Sec. 3. County's apportionment. For the above described use of said bridge, and for the purpose of aiding in the purchase of said bridge, the county of Oxford shall pay to the treasurer of the town of Mexico the sum of three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.

Sec. 4. Rumford's apportionment. For the above described use of said bridge and for the purpose of aiding in the purchase of said bridge, the town of Rumford shall pay to the treasurer of the town of Mexico the sum of five thousand dollars.

Sec. 5. Mexico's apportionment. The town of Mexico shall furnish a sum of money sufficient, together with the eleven thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars hereinbefore provided for, to defray the entire cost of the purchase of said Mexico toll bridge and make said bridge a free bridge.

Sec. 6. Temporary loan authorized; payment to be made on or before Sept. 1st, 1917. In order to carry out the provisions of this act the county commissioners of Oxford county and the municipal officers of the towns of Rumford and Mexico are hereby authorized and directed to borrow money temporarily and to issue therefor interest bearing negotiable notes of the county of Oxford and said towns of Rumford and Mexico. All sums of money mentioned in this act shall be paid to the treasurer of the town of Mexico on or before September first, nineteen hundred seventeen.

Sec. 7. Repair and up-keep; bridge and approaches to be county way. After said bridge has been made a free bridge, the towns of Rumford and

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Mexico shall, within three months thereafter, put said bridge in a state of repair that shall be approved by the state highway commission and the expenses of said repairs shall be shared equally by the two towns. Thereafter the cost of maintenance and up-keep of said bridge shall be borne equally by said towns of Rumford and Mexico, and they shall forever afterwards keep and maintain said bridge as a free bridge. The toll bridge and its approaches connecting the two county highways leading along both banks of the Androscoggin river are hereby declared to be a county way.

Approved April 7, 1917.

### Chapter 187.

An Act to Repeal All Special and Private Laws Relating to the Taking of Migratory Fish in Denny's River.

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

All special and private laws relating to the taking of migratory fish in Denny's river in Washington county are hereby repealed.

Approved April 7, 1917.

### Chapter 188.

An Act Authorizing the Selectmen of the Town of Brooksville to Grant a Private Way Over Tide Water.

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

Location and specifications. The selectmen of the town of Brooksville are hereby authorized and empowered to locate a private way from the property of J. Howard Wilson, an inhabitant and owner of cultivated land in said town, across the tide water between the cultivated land in said township known as Nautilus Island, a part of the mainland of said Brooksville, and the shore of said town opposite said Nautilus Island; said way to be located over the sand bar covered by tide water at high tide, thence along said shore to the right of the bar several rods until it turns inland; said way over tide water being a part of the way said J. Howard Wilson has petitioned the said municipal officers of Brooksville to lay out and locate for him, to connect his aforesaid property with a highway of said town of Brooksville.

Approved April 7, 1917.