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Chapter 162.

An Act to Amend Chapter Three Hundred and Nineteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Fifteen, Providing for State and County Aid in the Construction of Highway Bridges.

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

1915, c. 319, § 3; relating to the manner in which money may be raised by counties and towns for purpose of carrying out provisions of "Bridge Law." Section three of chapter three hundred and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and fifteen is hereby amended by striking out all after the word "construction" in the first sentence. It is further amended by striking out the word "may" in the sixteenth line and inserting therefor the word 'shall.' It is also amended by striking out the last paragraph of said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

'The county commissioners and municipal officers heretofore referred to are hereby authorized and required to raise by taxation or by borrowing or otherwise such reasonable sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act. Any loan so made by the municipal officers or county commissioners shall be a legal debt of the county, town, city or plantation whose credit is pledged under this law. All loans made by county commissioners under this law are excepted from the provisions of the laws of the state limiting the borrowing capacity of counties. Provided, however, that all loans made by the county commissioners and municipal officers under this law shall mature in not more than twenty years, and not less than one-twentieth of any loan so made shall be raised by taxation and applied in payment of the loan each year after the loan is made', so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 3. State treasurer shall deduct amount from any money due town or county; exempt from provisions of law limiting borrowing capacity of counties; loans to mature in not more than 20 years; amount to be raised by taxation. If the board shall decide that public convenience and necessity require the building or rebuilding of the bridge, it shall be the duty of the state highway commission to prepare plans, specifications and estimates of the cost of said construction. Upon approval of said plans and specifications by a majority of the board, the state highway commission shall proceed to let contracts for all work called for by said plans and specifications as soon as the town or towns and the county or counties interested shall have paid into the state treasury their proportional shares of the estimated cost of the construction. In case any county or town unreasonably neglects or refuses to pay into the state treasury its proportional part of the estimated cost of construction which may be due and payable under the provisions of this act, then the state treasurer shall out of any funds in the state treasury due said county or town pay such pro-

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portional part and deduct the amount so paid from any such sum in the state treasury due said county or town.

The county commissioners and municipal officers heretofore referred to are hereby authorized and required to raise by taxation or by borrowing or otherwise such reasonable sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act. Any loan so made by the municipal officers or county commissioners shall be a legal debt of the county, town, city or plantation whose credit is pledged under this law. All loans made by county commissioners under this law are excepted from the provisions of the laws of the state limiting the borrowing capacity of counties. Provided, however, that all loans made by the county commissioners and municipal officers under this law shall mature in not more than twenty years, and not less than one-twentieth of any loan so made shall be raised by taxation and applied in payment of the loan each year after the loan is made.'

Approved April 3, 1919.

Chapter 163.

An Act to Amend Chapter Two Hundred and Ninety-eight of the Public Laws of
Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to Small Loan Agencies.

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

1917, c. 298, § 17; relating to the examiner appointed to enforce law relative to small loan agencies, amended. Section seventeen of chapter two hundred and ninety-eight of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen is hereby amended by inserting after the word "mentioned" in the sixth line of said section, the words 'and all expenses of administration and enforcement of this chapter' and by inserting after the word "the" in the same line, the words 'appropriation for that purpose and the' and by striking out at the end of said section the following: "and the balance of the fees shall be paid in to the treasurer of state", so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 17. Expenses of administration and enforcement, how paid. For the enforcement of the provisions of this act the bank commissioner is authorized to appoint an examiner, the amount of his compensation to be subject to the approval of the governor and council, who shall also receive his necessary traveling expenses. The salary and traveling expenses, before mentioned, and all expenses of administration and enforcement of this chapter shall be paid out of the appropriation for that purpose and the fees received from licenses issued under the provisions of this act.'

Approved April 3, 1919.