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#### Acts and Resolves

As Passed by the

# Seventy-Ninth Legislature

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### Private and Special Laws

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CHAP. 106

#### Chapter 106.

An Act to Provide for Repairing and Maintaining Portland Bridge.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Portland Bridge in Portland harbor was constructed under the provisions of chapter two hundred and thirty-four of the private and special laws of Maine of nineteen hundred and thirteen, and

Whereas, one of the piers of said bridge has settled and now prevents the use of said bridge, and it is imperative that the bridge be repaired and made safe and convenient for travel at once, and

Whereas, said chapter two hundred and thirty-four made no provision for the present emergency, and

Whereas, the legislature deems the situation to be an emergency rendering the passage of the following act 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. Repair or reconstruction of parts of bridge authorized to meet requirements of U. S. war department. The county commissioners of Cumberland county are hereby authorized to repair or reconstruct such portions of Portland bridge as may in their judgment be necessary, and to make and maintain said bridge safe and convenient for travel, and for that purpose they may enter into and execute on behalf of the county all necessary contracts. Said commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered in their discretion to remove any part of the present structure and to make such use or disposition of the material therein contained as they deem for the best interests of the county of Cumberland. The work shall be done in such manner as shall meet the requirements of the several acts of congress and the regulations of the war department of the United States relating to draws and drawbridges over and across tide water.
- Sec. 2. Right of eminent domain. For the purpose of this act the county commissioners shall have and exercise in behalf of said county of Cumberland all the rights of eminent domain granted in said chapter two hundred and thirty-four, entitled "An Act to Provide for the Reconstruction of Portland Bridge," the same to be exercised in the manner provided in said chapter two hundred and thirty-four.
- Sec. 3. Bond issue authorized for purpose of meeting various obligations. For accomplishing the purposes of this act said county of Cumberland through its commissioners is authorized to borrow money temporarily and to issue therefor the negotiable notes of the county of Cumberland and for the purposes of refunding the indebtedness so created,

and for the payment of all repairs to pier number 18 of said bridge for which contracts were made prior to March twenty-fourth, A. D. nineteen hundred and eighteen, to the amount of sixty thousand dollars and for the purpose of paying the amount expended in the construction of the ferry slip in South Portland to an amount not exceeding twelve thousand dollars and for the purpose of refunding the temporary notes of the county of Cumberland now outstanding in the First National Bank of said Portland to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars and for the purpose of reconstructing such portions of Portland bridge as may in their judgment be necessary to make and maintain said bridge safe and convenient for travel to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, the said county of Cumberland may from time to time issue bonds of the county of Cumberland. Said obligations shall be valid without first obtaining the consent of the county as provided in sections eighteen and twenty of chapter eighty-three of the revised statutes.

Sec. 4. City of South Portland to be reimbursed for construction of ferry slip. Any sums heretofore contracted for or expended by the city of South Portland in the construction of the ferry slip at South Portland to provide for public travel between the cities of South Portland and Portland while Portland bridge is impassable shall be reimbursed to said city of South Portland by the county of Cumberland out of funds herein provided for, upon satisfactory evidence to the county commissioners as to the amount of such expenditure. Said county commissioners shall transfer to the city of South Portland all its right, title and interest in and to the above mentioned slip. All future costs, maintenance and repairs of said slip shall be borne by the city of South Portland.

Sec. 5. Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved April 4, 1919.

#### Chapter 107.

An Act to Incorporate the Western Maine Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. Corporators and name. Agnes H. Carter, Isabelle C. Harmon, Amy P. Nickerson, Mary P. Clay, Annie F. Bailey, Mary L. Thompson, and Patty Steadman, their associates and successors, are hereby created and constituted a body corporate under the name of Western Maine Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, liabilities and restrictions incident to similar corporations created under the laws of this state.