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AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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**CHAP. 65**

Washington, are hereby authorized to convey and transfer to the state of Maine that portion owned by said city of Calais and known as the American part of the Union bridge so-called, an international bridge across the St. Croix river connecting said Calais with the town of Milltown in the province of New Brunswick, including its part of the foundations, superstructure and approaches, in consideration of the state accepting the same.

**Sec. 2. State to maintain international bridge.** Upon the tender of a deed by said municipal officers, the state highway commission shall accept it and thereafter the repair and maintenance of the so-called American portion of said international bridge as a free public bridge shall be assumed and continued by the state under the general control, management and direction of the state highway commission.

Approved March 28, 1933.

## Chapter 64.

### AN ACT Providing for Pensions for Call-firemen in Augusta.

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

**Call-firemen in Augusta may be pensioned.** Section 4 of chapter 75 of the private and special laws of 1919, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following paragraph:

**'Call-firemen may be pensioned.** Any "call-fireman" so-called, who has served in the fire department for 30 years or more, may be retired on a pension of \$125 per year.'

This act shall not take effect until it has been adopted by the legal voters of the city of Augusta at the next general election therein, or at a special state election.

Approved March 28, 1933.

## Chapter 65.

### AN ACT Relating to Continuing Accounts in Departments Supported by Direct Appropriations.

**Emergency Preamble.** Whereas, at the present time the funds of several departments of the state have become depleted through extraordinary expenditures made necessary by the economic crisis through which we are now passing, and

Whereas, there are unexpended balances in several of the departments which might be available for transfer to the departments where needed if the governor and council had authority to order such transfer, and

Whereas, certain vital activities of the state will be hampered and curtailed unless such transfers of funds are made, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of article XXXI 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:*

**Transfer of funds.** Notwithstanding any existing provisions of law, governing appropriations by the legislature from general funds in the regular appropriation acts, relating to non-lapsing or continuing of appropriations for special purposes, or relating to special use of surpluses or balances in any department or appropriation, the governor and council are hereby empowered to transfer and lapse to general funds in the treasury such unexpended balances in any general fund appropriations, other than the tax on combustion engine fuel, motor vehicle fees and licenses, as may be necessary in their judgment to meet any emergency in financing the government from the effective date of this act until July 1, 1935.

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

Approved March 29, 1933.

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## Chapter 66.

### AN ACT to Redraft the Charter of the City of Biddeford.

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

**Charter of city of Biddeford amended.** Chapter 408 of the private and special laws of 1855, being an act entitled "An Act to Incorporate the City of Biddeford", as amended by chapter 473 of the private and special laws of 1855, by chapter 9 of the private and special laws of 1857, by chapters 383 and 436 of the private and special laws of 1860, by chapter 52 of the private and special laws of 1861, by chapter 170 of the private and special laws of 1862, by chapter 181 of the private and special laws of 1872, by chapter 59 of the private and special laws of 1881, by chapter 114 of the private and special laws of 1887, by chapter 529 of the private and special laws of 1897, by chapter 172 of the private and special laws of 1911, by chapter 235 of the private and special laws of 1911, is hereby further amended so that said chapter as amended shall read as follows:

**Sec. 1. Incorporation of Biddeford continued.** The inhabitants of the