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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-ninth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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Sec. 2. Allocation of the Unappropriated General Highway Fund Surplus. The Unappropriated General Highway Fund Surplus, with the approval of the Governor and Council, may be apportioned by the State Highway Commission for any of the purposes set forth in section 1 hereof and for the construction and reconstruction of state aid roads.

Sec. 3. Allocation for special state aid construction. The allocation for State Aid Construction (Special) shall be apportioned to the 16 counties on the basis of the number of miles of improved and unimproved designated state aid highways located within each county not on the federal system, such apportionments to be expended by the State Highway Commission on sections of improved state aid highways where, because of excessive maintenance or hazardous conditions, reconstruction is desirable; and for construction of unimproved sections of state aid highways located between improved sections in instances where the public use and safety require such construction.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect July 1, 1959.

Effective July 1, 1959

Chapter 147

AN ACT to Permit the Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative to Exercise Eminent Domain.

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

Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative; powers of eminent domain. The Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, organized under the provisions of the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 51, is hereby authorized and empowered to take and hold by right of eminent domain such lands and easements as may be necessary for the proper location of its transmission lines which are designed to carry voltages of 5,000 volts or more and of necessary appurtenances thereto, in the same manner and under the same conditions as set forth in the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 52, sections 11 to 22. This right shall not apply to lands or easements located within 300 feet of an inhabited dwelling, nor to lands and easements on or adjacent to any developed or undeveloped water power, nor to lands or easements so closely paralleling existing wire lines of public utility corporations or other rural electrification cooperatives that the proposed transmission lines would substantially interfere with service rendered over said existing lines, except with the consent of the owners thereof, nor to lands and easements owned or used by railroad corporations. Any location to be so taken for such transmission lines shall be approved by the Public Utilities Commission.

Effective September 12, 1959

Chapter 148

AN ACT Amending the Charter of the City of Augusta.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1957, c. 169, Art. II, § 2, amended. Section 2 of article II of chapter 169 of the private and special laws of 1957 is amended to read as follows: