

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS  
OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE  
AS PASSED BY THE  
One Hundred and Sixth Legislature  
1ST SPECIAL SESSION  
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AND BY THE  
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THE KNOWLTON AND MCLEARY COMPANY  
FARMINGTON, MAINE  
1975

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PUBLIC LAWS  
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travel in connection with the official business of the board and under the specific authority of the board, which traveling expenses shall be paid out of the General Fund.

**Sec. 2. Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Environmental Protection the sum of \$15,750 for the biennium for the purposes of carrying out this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1975-76	1976-77
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF		
All Other	\$6,750	\$9,000
Effective October 1, 1975		

## CHAPTER 615

**AN ACT** to Establish the Construction of Bikeways as a Responsibility of the Department of Transportation and to Provide Funding Therefor.

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

23 MRSA c. 10 is enacted to read:

### CHAPTER 10

### BIKEWAYS

#### § 611. Definition

For the purposes of this chapter, a bikeway is defined as a vehicle way, paved or unpaved, upon which bicycles, unicycles or other man-powered vehicles may be pedaled. It may be part of a road or highway, or it may be adjacent to a road or highway.

#### § 612. Authority of Department of Transportation

The Department of Transportation is authorized to construct bikeways within the existing rights-of-way of any state or state-aid highway. The department may also acquire additional rights-of-way adjacent to existing highway rights-of-way for the construction of bikeways. Such construction and acquisition of rights-of-way shall be accomplished in the same manner provided in this Title for highways.

The Department of Transportation shall consider development of bikeways when developing capital improvement programs.