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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED BY THE
One Hundred and Sixth Legislature
1ST SPECIAL SESSION
JANUARY 2, 1974 TO MARCH 29, 1974
AND BY THE
One Hundred and Seventh Legislature
REGULAR SESSION
JANUARY 1, 1975 TO JULY 2, 1975

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THE KNOWLTON AND MCLEARY COMPANY
FARMINGTON, MAINE
1975

RESOLVES
OF THE
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of law, for the years 1975 and 1976, except that such sums as relate to 1976 shall be reduced by the amounts made available by the Revised Statutes, Title 30, section 408. The approval of the second year of the budgets, 1976, for the counties is made subject to later review and possible revision by the Legislature, provided that until such review and revision is completed, the counties shall continue to appropriate, assess and collect taxes as herein provided.

County	1975	1976
Androscoggin	\$ 767,408	\$ 734,352
Aroostook	646,694	666,367
Cumberland	1,661,745	1,964,662
Franklin	346,939	380,575
Hancock	475,246	511,020
Kennebec	836,342	1,000,642
Knox	406,400	350,090
Lincoln	545,068	528,420
Oxford	484,996	544,225
Penobscot	1,160,987	1,047,179
Piscataquis	221,358	220,403
Sagadahoc	335,548	326,637
Somerset	441,472	443,387
Waldo	375,805	391,001
Washington	376,099	351,327
York	676,553	657,764

The foregoing figures represent the total amount of taxes authorized for each year of the biennium. These figures are based upon budgets approved by the Legislature and filed in the Office of the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State, upon this resolve becoming effective, shall forward to the chairman of the commissioners of each county, a certified copy of each county's budget in summary form and shall provide specific total amounts for personal services, contractual services, commodities, debt service, capital expenditures and contingent.

The county commissioners of each county are granted, where necessary, the authority to appropriate, assess and collect in the year 1976 such additional tax as will enable them to restore the contingent account to its established amount as specified in the budgets approved by the 107th Legislature. Before such additional tax may be levied, the county commissioners shall transfer to the contingent account those funds described in the Revised Statutes, Title 30, sections 252 and 408.

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

Effective May 30, 1975

CHAPTER 16

RESOLVE, Designating the Bridge Between East Machias and Machiasport as "Rim Memorial Bridge."

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, an historic battle, known as the Battle of the Rim, was fought in this area during the Revolutionary War; and

Whereas, a bicentennial celebration, including dedication ceremonies are scheduled for June 14, 1975; and

Whereas, the Washington County commissioners wish to designate the bridge over the Machias River between East Machias and Machiasport as "Rim Memorial Bridge;" and

Whereas, the Department of Transportation constructed this bridge in 1972 and concurs with the bridge being designated as "Rim Memorial Bridge;" and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning 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

Bridge designated as "Rim Memorial Bridge." Resolved: That the bridge over the Machias River between East Machias and Machiasport be designated as "Rim Memorial Bridge," and that an appropriate plaque designating the name of the bridge may be erected and maintained at no expense to the State and subject to the approval of the Department of Transportation.

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

Effective June 3, 1975

CHAPTER 17

RESOLVE, Authorizing Charles E. and Nancy Twitchell, or Their Legal Representative, to Bring Civil Action Against the State of Maine.

Charles E. and Nancy Twitchell; authorized to sue the State of Maine. Resolved: That Charles E. and Nancy Twitchell, owners of property situated in Farmington on Routes 2 and 4, due to negligence of the State Department of Transportation, by the construction of a highway leading from Farmington to Wilton known as Routes 2 and 4, have been and are being caused damage through the influx of surface water flowing onto and through the premises undermining part of the building there situated, on the southerly side of said highway, and water flowing into the basement of said building damaging the rugs, furniture and wallpaper, further damaging said property by inundating the land after each and every storm. Therefore, said Charles E. and Nancy Twitchell of Farmington are authorized to bring an action in the Superior Court of Franklin County within one year from the effective date of this resolve, at any term thereof, against the State of Maine for damages, if any, and the complaint issuing out of said Superior Court under the authority of this resolve shall be served on the Secretary of State by attested copy 30 days before a term of said court by the sheriff or either of his deputies in any county of the State of Maine; and the conduct of said action shall be according to the practice of actions and proceedings between parties in said Superior Court, and the liabilities of the parties and elements of damage, if any, shall be the same as the liabilities and elements of damage between individuals; and the Attorney General is authorized and designated to appear, answer and defend said action. Any judgment that may be recovered