

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

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## CHAPTER 551

H. P. 134 — L. D. 145

### AN ACT Concerning Certain Allocations from the General Highway Fund for the Repair of Certain Bridges in Baxter State Park.

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

Whereas, maintenance of certain roads in Baxter State Park is the responsibility of the Department of Transportation and certain bridges on these roads are in urgent need of repair; 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 enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:**

**Sec. 1.** 23 MRSA § 606, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 688, § 1, is amended by adding after the first paragraph a new paragraph to read:

For the purposes of this section, bridges in Baxter State Park shall be considered town way bridges. The Baxter State Park Authority shall fund 50% of the cost of construction of bridges in Baxter State Park.

**Sec. 2.** P&SL 1955, c. 186, § 1, as last amended by P&SL 1975, c. 93, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

#### **Sec. 1. Maintenance of Certain Roads in Baxter State Park.**

The Department of Transportation is hereby authorized and directed to expend on the unimproved portion of Baxter State Park road, so called, commencing at or near Millinocket Lake and extending to Sourdnahunk Field, and the unimproved portion of the road which leads from Baxter State Park road via Togue Ponds in Township 2, Range 9, to its terminus on land of the State at Roaring Brook in Township 3, Range 9, Piscataquis County, and the unimproved portion of the road which begins at Sourdnahunk Field, T. 4, R. 10, Piscataquis County; thence to Sourdnahunk Lake, T. 5, R. 10; thence to Dwelly Pond and McCarthy's, which is located on the south branch of Trout Brook; thence to the end of the designated state aid road in T. 6, R. 8, Penobscot County, also the road from the last mentioned road to South Branch Lake in Township 5, Range 9, also the road from the west line of Township 5, Range 10, said west line being a portion of the west

boundary of Baxter State Park, to the intersection of said road with the road from Dwelly Pond and McCarthy's to the end of the designated state aid road in T. 6, R. 8, Penobscot County, as much as shall be deemed necessary for their maintenance, including bridges and culverts, but not to exceed \$32,000 per year, some portions of the above described being private roads, open to the public.

**Sec. 3. Appropriation.** The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Highway Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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Unallocated

\$22,500

These funds shall be used in accordance with Sec. 1 to replace Nesowadnehunk Bridge no. 1 and to repair Little Nesowadnehunk Bridge. Funds not expended for these purposes shall be carried forward for use during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1980. The funds provided in this Act shall be in addition to the funds authorized in Sec. 2.

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

Effective June 25, 1979

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## CHAPTER 552

H. P. 767 — L. D. 970

### AN ACT to Provide for Staggered Registration for Motor Trucks.

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

**Sec. 1.** 29 MRSA § 106, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 481, § 5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

#### § 106. Expiration date

The registration year for all vehicles except automobiles, newly acquired motor trucks and truck tractors shall be from March 1st to the last day of February of the next calendar year. On and after February 1st, it shall be lawful to use and display on such vehicles the number plates or suitable devices in lieu thereof issued for the registration year.