

**BRIDGE ACROSS PORTAGE LAKE**  
**Act 181 of 1921**

AN ACT to supplement the laws relating to the improvement and maintenance of trunk line highways and bridges; to provide for the improvement, repair and maintenance of the bridge across Portage lake between the village of Houghton and city of Hancock in the county of Houghton, state of Michigan, as a part of the trunk line highway system; to define the duties of the state highway commissioner with respect thereto; and to provide for the payment of the costs thereof.

**History:** 1921, Act 181, Eff. Aug. 18, 1921.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**254.101 Bridge across Portage Lake declared state trunk line highway.**

Sec. 1. The bridge across Portage lake extending from Dakota street in the village of Houghton to Front street in the city of Hancock, Houghton county, is declared a part of the state trunk line highway system, and the improvement, repair and maintenance thereof shall be under the supervision and control of the state highway commissioner. The county of Houghton is hereby relieved of all duties, powers and obligations with respect to the future repair, maintenance and improvement of said bridge.

**History:** 1921, Act 181, Eff. Aug. 18, 1921;—CL 1929, 4578;—CL 1948, 254.101.

**254.102 State highway commissioner's obligations, contracts, execution of leases.**

Sec. 2. The state highway commissioner is authorized to carry out or assume the obligations of any contracts now existing with railroad companies or other corporations or persons with respect to rentals, damages, use, improvement, repair and maintenance of said bridge. Said state highway commissioner is authorized to make contracts for the enjoyment of the use of said bridge, jointly with railroad companies or other corporations or persons, and for the future maintenance, repair and improvement thereof, and to execute any leases, or other agreements necessary and proper in the premises.

**History:** 1921, Act 181, Eff. Aug. 18, 1921;—CL 1929, 4579;—CL 1948, 254.102.

**254.103 Payment of costs.**

Sec. The cost of all work herein provided with respect to said bridge shall be payable out of any funds available for the construction, repair and maintenance of trunk line bridges.

**History:** 1921, Act 181, Eff. Aug. 18, 1921;—CL 1929, 4580;—CL 1948, 254.103.

**254.104 Work performance; trunk line bridge.**

Sec. 4. All work involved in or incidental to the maintenance, repair and improvement of said bridge shall be performed in such manner as is or may be provided by law for the maintenance, repair and improvement of trunk line bridges, except when the manner of performing such work is prescribed by any existing contract and in such cases the work shall be performed in accordance with such contract, it being the intent hereof that said bridge in so far as the public interest therein is concerned, shall be regarded as a trunk line bridge.

**History:** 1921, Act 181, Eff. Aug. 18, 1921;—CL 1929, 4581;—CL 1948, 254.104.

**254.105 Rentals, damages, moneys due; disposition.**

Sec. 5. Any rentals, damages or other moneys becoming due and payable under any such contracts with respect to said bridge shall be paid to the state and placed to the credit of the general highway fund.

**History:** 1921, Act 181, Eff. Aug. 18, 1921;—CL 1929, 4582;—CL 1948, 254.105.

**254.106 State highway commissioner and other officers; authority.**

Sec. 6. The state highway commissioner and other proper officers are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to do all acts or things necessary to carry out the purpose of this act.

**History:** 1921, Act 181, Eff. Aug. 18, 1921;—CL 1929, 4583;—CL 1948, 254.106.

**254.107 Saving clause.**

Sec. 7. Nothing in this act contained shall operate to relieve any person, firm or corporation from the obligations of any existing contract, or the county of Houghton from any municipal obligation under its police powers.

**History:** 1921, Act 181, Eff. Aug. 18, 1921;—CL 1929, 4584;—CL 1948, 254.107.