

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 439

House of Representatives, Feb. 27, 1915.

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and ordered printed under joint rules.*

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN

AN ACT to amend Chapter 13 of the Private and Special
Laws of 1911 as amended by Chapter 103 of the Private
and Special Laws of 1913, relating to Bingham Water Dis-
trict.

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

Section 1. Chapter 13 of the private and special laws of
2 1911 as amended by chapter 103 of the private and special
3 laws of 1913 is hereby amended by striking out all of said
4 section 8 and by numbering section 9 of said chapter, section
5 8; and by numbering section 10 of said chapter, section 9
6 and by numbering section 11 of said chapter, section 10.

Sect. 2. Section 9 of the private and special laws of 1911
2 as amended by chapter 103 of the private and special laws

3 of 1913, which by this Act is changed to section 8, is hereby
4 amended by adding thereto sub-sections 4 and 5 so that said
5 section as amended shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 8. All individuals, firms and corporations, whether
7 private, public, national or municipal, shall pay to the said
8 water district the rates established by said board of trus-
9 tees for the water used by them, and said rates shall be uni-
10 form within the territory supplied by the water district.
11 Said rates shall be so established as to provide resources
12 for the following purposes:

1. To pay the current running expenses for maintaining
14 the water system, and to provide for such extensions and
15 renewals as may become necessary.

2. To provide for payment of interest on the indebted-
17 ness of the district.

3. To provide each year a sum equal to not less than one
19 nor more than five per cent. of the entire indebtedness of
20 the district, which sum shall be turned into a sinking fund
21 to provide for the final extinguishment of the funded debt.
22 The money set aside for the sinking fund shall be devoted
23 to the retirement of the obligations of the district or invested
24 in such securities as savings banks are allowed to hold.

4. If in any year there be a deficit, the water district may
26 raise by assessment such sum of money as may be neces-
27 sary and sufficient to liquidate such deficit.

All money raised by said water district for the purpose
29 aforesaid shall be assessed upon the property within the

30 aforesaid territory, by the trustees of said corporation, in
31 the same manner as is provided by law for the assessment
32 of county and town taxes; and said trustees shall fix the
33 valuation of said property so to be assessed by them and
34 may abate any tax by them so assessed or may abate any
35 part of any tax by them so assessed.

5. Upon a certificate being filed with the trustees of said
37 water district by the clerk thereof, of the amount of money
38 raised at any meeting for the purposes aforesaid, it shall
39 be the duty of said trustees, as soon as may be to assess said
40 amount upon the estate of persons residing on the territory
41 of said water district, and upon the estates of non-resident
42 proprietors thereof, and the trustees to certify and to de-
43 liver to the treasurer of said water district, whose duty it
44 shall be to collect the same in like manner as county and
45 town taxes are, by law, collected by towns, and said water
46 district shall have power to direct the mode of collection
47 of said taxes as towns have in the collection of town taxes.'