

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

NO. 218

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*In Senate, Feb. 22, 1917.*

*Reported by Mr. Lord from Committee on Public Utilities  
and ordered printed under joint rules.*

*W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to Enlarge the Powers of the Western Maine Power  
Company.

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

Section 1. The Western Maine Power Company, formerly  
2 the Limerick Water and Electric Company, a corporation  
3 created and existing by virtue of chapter one hundred fifty-  
4 nine of the Private and Special Laws of 1907 and acts  
5 amendatory thereof and additional thereto, is hereby au-  
6 thorized and empowered to extend its lines and furnish its  
7 service in any territory within the state of Maine adjacent

8 to any of the towns in its act of incorporation and acts  
9 amendatory thereof and additional thereto, provided that it  
10 shall not extend its lines into any such adjacent towns in  
11 which any other public utility is engaged in selling and dis-  
12 tributing electricity, without the consent of such public util-  
13 ity or of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of  
14 Maine.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is authorized and empowered  
2 to purchase for cash, or by exchange of its stock, securities  
3 or property, own and hold the stocks, bonds or debentures  
4 of any public utility doing business in the counties of York,  
5 Oxford or Cumberland, subject to the approval of the  
6 Public Utilities Commission of the State of Maine.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is authorized and empowered  
2 to acquire by purchase, lease, merger or consolidation, and  
3 to exercise and enjoy after such purchase, lease, merger  
4 or consolidation any or all of the rights, privileges, fran-  
5 chises and property of any public utility organized for sim-  
6 ilar purposes and doing business in the counties of York,  
7 Cumberland or Oxford or in any municipality adjacent to  
8 any of the towns named in its act of incorporation or acts  
9 amendatory thereof or additional thereto, within the State  
10 of Maine with which its wires may be connected to form  
11 a continuous system, upon such terms and conditions as  
12 may be agreed upon by the said corporation and such other  
13 public utility; and said other public utilities are hereby  
14 authorized and empowered to lease, sell and convey their

15 respective rights, privileges, franchises and properties to the  
16 said Western Maine Power Company or to merge or con-  
17 solidate with the said company, provided that any such sale,  
18 lease, merger or consolidation shall be approved by the Pub-  
19 lic Utilities Commission of the State of Maine, but it shall  
20 be unlawful for said corporation to transmit electric cur-  
21 rent for sale or use beyond the limits of this state, or to  
22 contract with any person or corporation for the transmission  
23 or sale of electric current beyond the limits of this state  
24 and said corporation shall not be permitted to acquire in  
25 any manner the franchises of, or consolidate with or trans-  
26 fer or lease its property, rights and franchises to any other  
27 corporation or person now transmitting or having the right  
28 to transmit electric power beyond the confines of the state  
29 without authority of the Legislature.