

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 109

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House of Representatives, February 6, 1919.

Reported by Mr. Putnam of Danforth from Committee on Interior Waters and ordered printed and recommitted.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Cunningham of Patten.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to amend chapter one hundred ninety-three of the Private and Special Laws of nineteen hundred three entitled "An Act to incorporate the East Branch Improvement Company."

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

Section 1. Section two of said act is hereby amended by  
2 striking out after the word "expedient" the words "not ex-  
3 ceeding the amount of its capital stock," so that said sec-  
4 tion as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 2. The capital stock of said company shall not ex-  
2 ceed one hundred thousand dollars, divided into shares of  
3 one hundred dollars each, and, in order to carry out the

4 purposes for which said company is incorporated, it is here-  
5 by authorized and empowered to issue its bonds in such  
6 form and amount and on such rates as it may deem expedi-  
7 ent, and may secure the same by mortgage of its property  
8 and franchises.'

Sect. 2. Said act is hereby amended by striking out the  
2 whole of section four and inserting in place thereof the fol-  
3 lowing:

'Sect. 4. In addition to the rights and powers now pos-  
2 sessed by said Telos Canal Company, said Grand Lake  
3 Dam Company and said East Branch Dam Company, said  
4 East Branch Improvement Company, for the purpose of  
5 facilitating the driving of logs and other lumber and for  
6 manufacturing and power purposes shall have the power  
7 to build additional dams upon its own land or land acquired  
8 for that purpose, with suitable gates and sluiceways, re-  
9 pair or rebuild any dams it may acquire from said com-  
10 pany as aforesaid, increasing the height of the same, re-  
11 move obstruction and erect necessary piers, booms, side  
12 booms and other works, in the waters of the East Branch  
13 of the Penobscot River and its natural tributaries and said  
14 company shall also have the power to rebuild the dam at the  
15 foot of Grand Lake, increasing the height of the same and  
16 the additional damages for flowage caused by such new  
17 dams or by the increased height of existing dams may be  
18 recovered in accordance with the provisions of chapter  
19 ninety-seven of the revised statutes; provided, however,

20 after the main East Branch drive in any year shall arrive in  
21 the main Penobscot river, or the drive shall have been aban-  
22 doned, the water stored by such dams may be stored and  
23 held for manufacturing and power purposes.'

Sect. 3. Said act as amended by chapter one hundred  
2 eighty-eight of the Private and Special Laws of nineteen  
3 hundred fifteen is hereby further amended by inserting aft-  
4 er the word "river" in the seventh line of section one of  
5 said chapter one hundred eighty-eight the words 'coming  
6 through Grand Lake Dam forty cents for each thousand  
7 feet board measure and for logs and lumber,' also by strik-  
8 ing out in the tenth line the word "ten" and inserting in  
9 place thereof the word 'twenty'; also by striking out the  
10 word "five" in the fifteenth line and inserting in place there-  
11 of the word 'ten,' so that said section as amended shall read  
12 as follows:

'Section 1. The East Branch Improvement Company, a  
2 corporation incorporated by special act of the legislature  
3 of Maine entitled "An Act to incorporate the East Branch  
4 Improvement Company," approved March 18, 1903, is here-  
5 by authorized and empowered to demand and receive a toll  
6 on all logs and lumber driven down the East Branch of  
7 the Penobscot River coming through Grand Lake Dam  
8 forty cents for each thousand feet board measure, and for  
9 logs and lumber coming into said river below Grand Lake  
10 Dam and the destination of which is below the junction of  
11 the East and West branches of said Penobscot River using

12 stored water as follows: Twenty cents for each thousand  
13 feet board measure on all logs and lumber landed in or  
14 driven into said river between Grand Lake Dam and a line  
15 drawn across township number three, range seven, west of  
16 east line of state, parallel with the south line of said town-  
17 ship and one hundred rods below the mouth of Wassatta-  
18 quoik stream, and ten cents for each thousand feet board  
19 measure on all logs and lumber landed in or driven into  
20 said river between said line drawn across township number  
21 three, range seven, west of the east line of state and the  
22 junction of the east and west branches of the Penobscot  
23 River at Medway.