

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 71

House of Representatives, Feb. 9, 1921.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Bartlett of Waterville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE

AN ACT to Amend the Charter of the Kennebec Water
District.

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

Section 1. Section one of chapter two hundred of the
2 private and special laws, approved March seventeenth, eight-
3 een hundred and ninety-nine, as amended by section one
4 of chapter one hundred and fifty-two of the private and
5 special laws, approved March eighth, nineteen hundred and
6 five, is hereby further amended by inserting the word 'Fair-
7 field' before the word "Benton" in the fifth line thereof,
8 so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

‘Section 1. The territory and people constituting the city
2 of Waterville and the Fairfield Village Corporation, shall
3 constitute a body politic and corporate under the name of
4 the Kennebec Water District, for the purpose of supplying
5 the inhabitants of said district and of the towns of Fair-
6 field, Benton, Winslow and Vassalboro and all said munici-
7 palities with pure water for domestic and municipal pur-
8 poses.’

Sect. 2. Section four of said chapter as amended by said
2 chapter one hundred and fifty-two is hereby further amended
3 by inserting the word ‘Fairfield’ before the word “Benton”
4 in the third line thereof, so that said section as amended
5 shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 4. Said district is hereby authorized to lay in and
2 through the streets and highways thereof and of said towns
3 of Fairfield, Benton, Winslow and Vassalboro, and to take
4 up, repair and replace all such pipes, aqueducts and fixtures
5 as may be necessary for the objects above set forth, and
6 whenever said district shall lay any pipes or aqueducts in
7 any street or highway, it shall cause the same to be done
8 with as little obstruction as possible to the public travel, and
9 shall at its own expense without unnecessary delay cause
10 the earth and pavement removed by it to be replaced in
11 proper condition.’

Sect. 3. Section eleven is hereby amended by adding to
2 paragraph three thereof the following words: ‘or may be
3 used for the extension or enlargement of the water system

4 or the improvement of the district's property' so that said
5 section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 11. All individuals, firms and corporations, whether
2 private, public or municipal, shall pay to the treasurer of
3 said district the rates established by said board of trustees
4 for all water used by them, and said rates shall be uniform
5 in their application within the district. Said rates shall be
6 so established as to provide revenue for the following pur-
7 poses:

I. To pay the current running expenses for maintaining
2 the water system and provide for such extensions and re-
3 newals as may become necessary.

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

III. To provide each year a sum equal to not less than
2 one, nor more than three per cent of the entire indebtedness
3 of the district, which sum shall be turned into a sinking
4 fund to provide for the final extinguishment of the funded
5 debt. The money set aside for the sinking fund shall be
6 devoted to retirement of the district's obligations or invested
7 in such securities as savings banks are allowed to hold, or
8 may be used for the extension or enlargement of the water
9 system or the improvement of the district's property.

IV. If any surplus remain at the end of the year it shall
2 be divided between the municipalities composing the district
3 in the same proportions as each contributed to the gross
4 earnings of the district's water system, and in order that

5 these proportions may be readily determined ,all money
6 received for water in each of said municipalities shall be
7 entered in separate accounts so that the total amount thereof
8 can be easily ascertained.'