

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 84

House of Representatives, Feb. 10, 1921.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Wilson of Presque Isle.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Provide for the Creation of Water Storage on
the Aroostook River.

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

Section 1. The Gould Electric Company, a corporation
2 organized under the provisions of chapter two hundred and
3 three, private and special laws of nineteen hundred and
4 seventeen, is hereby authorized to store water for the pur-
5 pose of increasing the volume of water in said Aroostook
6 river in time of drought, either in summer or winter; and
7 for that purpose may flow the following named lakes and
8 the streams which form the outlets thereof in the water
9 shed of the Aroostook river; to wit: Squa-Pan lake in

10 Aroostook county, Munsungan lake, Millinocket lake,
11 Mooseleuk lake in Piscataquis county, Pomkeag lake in
12 Penobscot county, Umcucus lake in Penobscot and Aroos-
13 took counties, by building dams flowing said lakes and
14 streams and deepening the water channels connected there-
15 with. All dams or other structures authorized herein shall
16 be so constructed with the proper roll ways, sluice ways,
17 gates and contrivances so as to facilitate and not impede
18 or interfere with the floating or driving of logs.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby empowered to take,
2 and hold as for public use, such dams and lands as may be
3 necessary for the purposes of said corporation as herein
4 provided, and such material as may be needed for erecting
5 and maintaining said dams; and in case said corporation
6 cannot agree with the owner or owners as to the amount
7 of land and material to be taken or the price to be paid
8 therefor, the said amount or price shall be determined by
9 the county commissioners of Aroostook county, upon the
10 application of any interested party to said county commis-
11 sioners, in the manner provided by the statutes of the state
12 of Maine, for the assessment of damages for the location,
13 alteration, and discontinuance of highways, and the same
14 rights of appeal from the decision of said county commis-
15 sioners shall exist, and may be prosecuted in the same man-
16 ner as provided in said statutes. The said corporation is
17 hereby empowered to flow such lands as may be necessary
18 to carry out the purposes of this act; and said corporation

19 shall be liable for all damage by flowing caused by said
20 dams, to be ascertained and determined in the manner pre-
21 scribed in chapter ninety-seven of the revised statutes.