

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

DURING ITS SESSION

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# THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE.

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No. 30.]

[HOUSE.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND  
FIFTY.

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AN ACT additional to an act entitled "an act additional  
to an act in relation to the public lands."

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECTION 1. The land agent is hereby required to  
2 locate and designate certain townships of land be-  
3 longing to this state, not exceeding ten, annually, in  
4 number, which have been located in whole or in part  
5 for settlement, and of which selection he shall give  
6 notice by publishing the same in some paper printed  
7 in each county in the state, together with the pro-  
8 visions of this act.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of the land agent in  
2 such of the townships as he may designate in which  
3 no roads have been heretofore located, to cause to be  
4 located such roads as he may deem the public interest  
5 and the accommodation of future settlements therein  
6 may require.

SECT. 3. In the sale of lots in any of said town-  
2 ships, no cash payment shall be required, and the  
3 price of lots shall be at the rate of fifty cents per  
4 acre, for which persons applying to purchase shall  
5 give three notes payable in labor upon the roads in  
6 the townships in which the lot purchased shall lie,  
7 payable in one, two and three years from the date  
8 thereof, and to be expended under the direction of  
9 some person to be appointed by the land agent, whose  
10 certificate shall be evidence of the performance there-  
11 of, and no other payment shall be required than what  
12 is herein provided, but the purchaser of lands under  
13 this act shall be held to the performance of the set-  
14 tling duties provided by the twenty-seventh and twen-  
15 ty-eighth sections of the third chapter of the revised  
16 statutes, and also to a compliance with the provisions  
17 of the second section of the act to which this is ad-

18 ditional ; and in all cases where individuals have not  
19 made any contract with the land agent, but have en-  
20 tered on any lot for settlement and shall have per-  
21 formed labor (intending to purchase such lot) upon  
22 roads in the township wherein such lot may lie, the  
23 land agent is hereby instructed to issue to such person  
24 or persons a certificate entitling the party to a deed  
25 thereof upon performance of the usual settling duties,  
26 allowing the labor performed upon due proof thereof,  
27 and if enough has not been performed to pay the  
28 fifty cents per acre, the land agent shall take the  
29 party's note for the balance payable in labor.

SECT. 4. The land agent shall appoint some suita-  
2 ble person or persons in the vicinity to superintend  
3 the location of settlers and the payment of the road  
4 labor, and the performance of the several duties re-  
5 quired of settlers—and the land agent shall give a  
6 certificate to applicants for land under the provisions  
7 of this act, in the same manner as has heretofore  
8 been done under existing laws, upon the applicant's  
9 giving his notes for road labor ; and but one lot not  
10 exceeding two hundred acres, shall be granted to the  
11 same person.

SECT. 5. The lots to be reserved for public uses  
2 in said townships, shall be located by the designation  
3 of the land agent, which being entered of record in  
4 the land office shall constitute a good and sufficient  
5 location thereof.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Aug. 12, 1850.

ORDERED, That 500 copies of the foregoing Bill, be printed  
for the use of the Legislature.

EDMUND W. FLAGG, *Clerk.*