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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 1057

House of Representatives, March 10, 1971

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Ault of Wayne.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT to Establish a Boundary Line between the Towns of Wayne and Leeds.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, property taxes are assessed as of April 1st of each year; and

Whereas, the boundary line between the Towns of Wayne and Leeds is inconclusive and vague, and

Whereas, such line should be definitely determined to prevent confusion and uncertainty; and

Whereas, it is desirable that the towns involved survey and mark the boundary lines crossing lake waters while the lake is still iced over; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Boundary Line between the Towns of Wayne and Leeds. The boundary line between the towns of Wayne in Kennebec County and Leeds in Androscoggin County shall commence at the northwest corner of the town of Monmouth at a stone monument marked L on its west and M on its east side, thence north 16° east 90 rods (as defined in P. & S. L., 1869, c. 96), passing

over another stone monument marked L on its west and W on its east side to a stone monument marked L on its west and W on its east side together with the letters and figures A. D. 1897 and standing near the shore of Lake Androscoggin; thence running northerly around the shore line on the east side of the point of land to a large boulder at the northerly end of said point of land. Said boulder shall be marked with a drill hole and the letter W on its east side and the letter L on its west side together with the letters and figures A. D. 1971. Thence across the waters of Lake Androscoggin on a bearing of N 22° 10' W (magnetic in 1971) running westerly of Blodgett Island and Norris Island to a stone monument set in the ground on the southerly side of Dead River on the so-called "Cape" extending into Lake Androscoggin, said monument to be marked with a W on its east side and an L on its west side together with the letters and figures A. D. 1971; thence on a bearing of N 12° 54' E (magnetic in 1971) across the waters of Lake Androscoggin to a stone monument to be marked with a W on its east side and an L on its west side together with the letters and figures A. D. 1971, to be set on the north shore of Lake Androscoggin on so-called "Stinchfield Point"; thence northerly along the easterly shore of said Point to its intersection with the boundary line as established by Chapter XLIX, 1810 Laws of Massachusetts; thence northwesterly on the boundary line as previously established and monumented, to the south line of East Livermore. The monumenting and marking shall be done in 1971 and the cost shall be borne equally by said towns of Wayne and Leeds.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Research has shown that the westerly boundary of the town of Wayne as shown on all modern maps is not in agreement with the boundary described in the Act of Incorporation. The eastern boundary of the town of Leeds was omitted from its Act of Incorporation. There has been no previous legislative action which changed the boundary line between the two towns extending from the south side of Lake Androscoggin to the north side of said Lake. Since the line as depicted on modern maps has been generally accepted with respect to local taxation and transfers of property, this Act will establish the line as now generally accepted.