

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 379

S. P. 138

In Senate, February 10, 1977

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

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Collins of Knox.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Incorporation of the Officers and Members of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine.

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

P&SL 1822, c. 89, § 1, as last amended by P&SL 1935, c. 20, is further amended to read:

Sec. 1. Persons incorporated; powers; may hold real and personal estate, etc. Charles Fox, Robert P. Dunlap, Lawrence Sprague, Erastus Foote, Joseph M. Gerrish, James Loring Child, Jonathan Greenleaf, Gideon W. Olney, William P. Davis, with their associates and successors, are incorporated into a body politic, by the name of the Officers and Members of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine; with power to sue and be sued; to have a common seal, and to change the same; to make any by-laws for the management of their affairs, not repugnant to the laws of this state, nor to ancient masonic usages; to take and hold for charitable and benevolent uses, any real estate to the value of ~~\$50,000~~ \$200,000, and any personal estate to the value of ~~\$200,000~~ \$500,000; and give and grant, or bargain and sell the same; and with all the privileges usually granted to other societies instituted for purposes of charity and beneficence.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to increase from \$50,000 to \$200,000 the value of real estate which the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine may take and hold for charitable or benevolent uses. It also increases the value of personal property which may be held from \$200,000 to \$500,000.