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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P.
1396, L.D. 1635, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to the Powers of Plantations
and their Organization."

Amend the Amendment by striking out all of the last paragraph
before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the
following:

'Further amend the Bill by striking out all of sections
5, 6 and 7 and inserting in their place the following:

'Sec. 5. P&SL 1975, c. 25, §1, as amended by P&SL 1977,
c. 24, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Sec. 1. The Plantation of Matinicus is hereby authorized
to acquire, construct, reconstruct, improve, extend, enlarge,
equip, repair, own, operate and maintain an electric power
generating facility and to acquire, lease, purchase, equip,
repair, own, operate and maintain ferries or boats for transportation
to and from the mainland and the island. For these purposes
the plantation is vested with the power to raise money at its
annual meeting, or at any legal meeting called for that purpose,
and to apply for and accept grants of federal or state aid or
both, for the purchase or lease of lands, water power, dams,
manufactures and works for providing and supplying electricity;
for the purchase of apparatus necessary for equipping and properly
maintaining an electric power generating facility; for the
proper operation, upkeep and maintenance of such a facility;

and for the acquisition, lease, purchase, equipping, repairing, owning, operating and maintaining ferries or boats.

Sec. 6. P&SL 1975, c. 25, §3-A is enacted to read:

Sec. 3-A. The municipal officers are authorized to fix by regulation, to revise from time to time and to collect fares, rates or other charges for the use of the ferries or boats.

Sec. 7. P&SL 1975, c. 25, §4, first sentence is amended to read:

The plantation is also authorized to issue general obligation bonds, not to exceed the general law, to pay the cost of the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, extension and enlargement of, and equipment for, the electric power generating facility or the ferries or boats.

Sec. 8. P&SL 1975, c. 25, §5 is amended to read:

Sec. 5. The plantation is also authorized, after it has issued general obligation bonds for the electric power generating facility or the ferries or boats, to raise by taxation and appropriate a sum not to exceed 50% of the cost of the principal and interest payments on the general obligation bonds in any year and 50% of the current operating costs for that year.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment gives Matinicus Island the authority to establish ferry service to the island.

Filed by Mrs. Post of Owls Head.

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