

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# FORTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

No. 79.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-NINE.

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AN ACT to render valid certain doings of towns in voting commutations.

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

SECTION 1. The past acts and doings, regular in  
2 form, of cities, towns and plantations, in offering, pay-  
3 ing, agreeing to pay, and in raising and providing the  
4 means to pay commutations to drafted men, and all  
5 notes and town orders given by the municipal officers  
6 of any city, town or plantation, in pursuance of a pre-  
7 vious vote, at a meeting regularly called and held for  
8 the benefit of drafted men, are hereby made valid.

SECT. 2. All contracts heretofore made by the  
2 municipal officers of any city, town or plantation, that  
3 has voted, at meetings duly called and held, to raise

4 money to pay commutations thus voted, and all con-  
5 tracts heretofore made by said officers, or their duly  
6 authorized agents, with third persons, corporations or  
7 associations, for the purpose of raising means to pay  
8 such commutations so voted, are hereby made valid.

SECT. 3. All contracts heretofore made by such  
2 municipal officers, or by third persons, in behalf of any  
3 city, town or plantation, but without previous authority  
4 therefor, to pay commutations to such drafted men or  
5 to raise money to pay such commutations, may be  
6 ratified or confirmed by said city, town or plantation.

SECT. 4. The doings of any city, town or planta-  
2 tion, in voting to pay or in raising money to pay com-  
3 mutations, may be ratified and confirmed by said city,  
4 town or plantation.

SECT. 5. All taxes that have been assessed to raise  
2 funds to pay commutations, or to fulfil contracts for  
3 the objects named in this act, are hereby made valid.

SECT. 6. Nothing in this act shall affect in any way  
2 the equalization of municipal war debts.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 27, 1869. }

Reported from the Judiciary Committee, by Mr. REED, and  
ordered printed under the Joint Rule.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*