

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# FIFTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE.

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SENATE.

No. 29.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE.

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[S. 22.] AN ACT to incorporate the People's Loan and Building Association.

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

SECTION 1. E. V. B. Trask, William S. Hagar, 2 George M. Hagar, J. W. Spaulding, Daniel Clarke, 3 George H. Theobald, A. P. Jewett, George B. Randall, 4 A. C. Spaulding, Charles H. Hodges, E. H. 5 Tomlinson, I. A. Merriman, William H. Stuart, A. W. 6 Smith, H. Springer, T. G. Herbert, C. M. Foster, J. 7 S. Chapman, A. K. P. Walker, J. H. Stuart and G. 8 H. Farrin, their associates, successors and assigns, are 9 hereby created a body politic and corporate by the 10 name of the People's Loan and Building Association. 11 This association is to be located at Richmond. It may

12 have and use a common seal ; shall have the power to  
13 hold, manage and convey real and personal property,  
14 to sue and be sued, to prosecute and defend suits in  
15 law or in equity, and may make and ordain by-laws  
16 for its government not repugnant to the constitution  
17 and laws of this state.

SECT. 2. The capital stock shall consist of not more  
2 than thirty-five hundred shares, to be issued in one or  
3 successive series, as shareholders may vote. And each  
4 shareholder shall on each and every share of stock  
5 held by him or her, pay the sum of one dollar on such  
6 days in each and every month, and to such officer as  
7 the by-laws shall require, until the value of the whole  
8 fund of the series to which such shares may belong  
9 shall be sufficient to divide to each share the sum of  
10 two hundred dollars. Every share shall be subject to  
11 a lien for the payment of any unpaid instalments and  
12 other charges incurred thereon, under the provisions of  
13 the charter and by-laws, and the by-laws may provide  
14 the manner of enforcing such lien. New shares may  
15 be issued in place of shares withdrawn, forfeited or re-  
16 deemed.

SECT. 3. Each shareholder, for each and every share  
2 of stock held in this association, shall be entitled to  
3 receive a loan not exceeding two hundred dollars.  
4 Such loan to be disposed of by the directors at stated

5 monthly meetings, to the shareholder who shall bid the  
6 highest premium for the preference or priority of the  
7 loan. Whenever a shareholder shall be entitled by such  
8 preference to a loan, he or she shall give such security  
9 for the repayment of the same and interest as directors  
10 may deem sufficient, and in addition thereto, he or she  
11 shall assign to the association one share of stock for  
12 every sum of two hundred dollars or fraction thereof  
13 borrowed by him or her, which stock so assigned shall  
14 be held as collateral security for the repayment of such  
15 loan. In case such shareholder neglects to offer se-  
16 curity approved by the directors within such time as  
17 the by-laws provide, he or she shall be charged with  
18 one month's interest on the same, together with ex-  
19 penses incurred, and the money may be loaned to the  
20 next highest bidder or resold at the next meeting. In  
21 case of non-payment of instalments or interest by bor-  
22 rowing shareholders for the space of six months, pay-  
23 ment of principal and interest, without deducting  
24 premium paid, may be enforced by proceeding on the  
25 securities according to law. Loans may be repaid at  
26 any time before due, and if before the expiration of  
27 eight years from the commencement of the series to  
28 which it belongs, there shall be deducted from the same  
29 one-eighth of the premium paid for each and every  
30 year of said eight years then unexpired.

SECT. 4. Any shareholder who has not received a  
2 loan from the association wishing to withdraw from the  
3 same, may do so by giving thirty day's notice of his  
4 intention so to do, when he or she shall be paid the  
5 amount he or she has paid into the association and  
6 such proportion of the profits as the shareholders may  
7 vote, less the amount of any fines and charges. Pro-  
8 vided, at no time shall more than one-half the funds in  
9 the treasury be applicable to the demands of withdraw-  
10 ing shareholders, without the consent of the directors.  
11 Upon the death of a shareholder his or her legal repre-  
12 sentatives shall be entitled to receive the full amount  
13 paid in with six per cent. interest on the same, first  
14 deducting all fines and charges that may be due there-  
15 on ; or such representatives may assume and pay future  
16 instalments under the same rights and liabilities of  
17 deceased. The money received for the shares of a de-  
18 ceased shareholder or the shares themselves, as the  
19 case may be, shall descend to the same persons and be  
20 distributed in the same manner that money received  
21 from a policy of life insurance on the life of a deceased  
22 person now does by law.

SECT. 5. In case there should be no applications to  
2 borrow the money in the treasury at any monthly  
3 meeting of the directors, they may invest such money

4 as they may deem for the best interests of the associa-  
5 tion.

SECT. 6. Minors may hold shares by trustees, and  
2 two of the shares of each shareholder, or one share, if  
3 any should own but one, shall be exempt from attach-  
4 ment and execution.

SECT. 7. J. W. Spaulding shall have the power to  
2 call the first meeting of this association by giving per-  
3 sonal notice to each of the corporators herein named, of  
4 the time and place of meeting two days prior thereto.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect on approval.



STATE OF MAINE.

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In SENATE, February 10, 1875.

Reported by Mr. ROUNDS of Androscoggin, from Committee  
on Banks and Banking, and on his motion laid over to be printed.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*