

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Fifty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 85.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to incorporate the town of West Rockland.

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

SECTION 1. All that part of the city of Rockland
2 lying westerly of the following described line, namely :
3 commencing at the town line of Camden, at the north-
4 east corner of ward seven, in said city of Rockland,
5 thence running southwesterly as the line of said ward
6 runs, to the southeast corner of said ward at the line
7 of the town of Thomaston, thence northwesterly by the
8 easterly line of said Thomaston to the easterly line of
9 the town of Warren, thence northeasterly by the said
10 Warren line to the northwest corner of the city of
11 Rockland at the Camden line, thence southeasterly by
12 the east line of said Camden to the place of beginning,

13 being the whole of what is now ward seven in said city
14 of Rockland, is hereby incorporated into a separate
15 town by the name of West Rockland, and the inhabi-
16 tants thereof are hereby invested with all the powers
17 and privileges and subject to all the duties and liabili-
18 ties incident to other towns in this state.

SECT. 2. The several inhabitants of the town of
2 West Rockland shall be held to pay all taxes which
3 have been legally assessed upon them by the city of
4 Rockland, and the collectors of taxes for said city are
5 hereby authorized and required to collect and pay over
6 all taxes to them already committed, according to their
7 warrants.

SECT. 3. The city of Rockland and the town of
2 West Rockland shall continue to constitute one repre-
3 sentative district the same as now, until the next ap-
4 pointment.

SECT. 4. The town of West Rockland shall consti-
2 tute one school district until otherwise established by
3 said town.

SECT. 5. All persons hereafter becoming chargeable
2 as paupers shall be chargeable to that city or town on
3 whose territory they last resided, but past residence as
4 a pauper on the city farm is hereby excepted.

SECT. 6. The county commissioners of the county
2 of Knox, for the time being, shall be a board of com-

3 missioners to adjudicate upon the division of the
4 property now belonging to said city, and the indebt-
5 edness thereof according to the number of inhabitants
6 and the valuation of said city and the town of West
7 Rockland. Said commissioners shall, as soon as prac-
8 ticable, after application by either party, give reason-
9 able notice of a time and place of meeting, and shall
10 then examine all said property, personal, real and
11 mixed, except the books and records and public
12 cemeteries, and appraise the same; they shall also
13 ascertain the indebtedness of said city and its liabilities,
14 and, after hearing the parties, they shall determine
15 and award to which party each piece of property shall
16 belong; what proportion of the indebtedness of said
17 city and the liabilities thereof the town of West
18 Rockland shall assume, and how said town shall secure
19 to said city the proportion of such indebtedness and
20 liabilities. And if said award directs that any part of
21 the property, real or personal, now belonging to said
22 city shall become the property of West Rockland, said
23 award shall be deemed and held to be a sufficient
24 conveyance thereof. And said commissioners shall
25 determine and award in regard to all matters and
26 questions arising by reason of the division of said city
27 not herein specially provided for, and their award shall

28 be final. They shall make their award in writing and
29 in duplicate, and return one copy to the clerk of said
30 city and the other to the clerk of said town, and they
31 shall be entered on the records thereof.

SECT. 7. This act shall take effect when approved ;
2 and any justice of the peace may call the first meeting
3 of the town of West Rockland by posting a warrant
4 therefor, stating the objects of the meeting, in three
5 public and conspicuous places in said town, at least
6 seven days before the time of holding said meeting.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 1, 1878. }

Reported from the Committee on Towns, by Mr. CLAY of South Thomaston, and pending acceptance, report laid on table and bill ordered printed.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*