

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

No. 78.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to incorporate the town of West Rockland.

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*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,  
3 namely: Commencing at the town line of Cam-  
4 den, at the northeast corner of ward seven, in said  
5 city of Rockland; thence running southwesterly as  
6 the line of said ward runs, to the southeast corner  
7 of said ward at the line of the town of Thomaston;  
8 thence northwesterly by the easterly line of said  
9 Thomaston, to the easterly line of the town of  
10 Warren; thence northeastly by the said Warren  
11 line to the northwest corner of the city of Rock-  
12 land, at the Camden line; thence southeasterly by

13 the east line of said Camden to the place of begin-  
14 ning, being the whole of what is now ward seven  
15 in said city of Rockland, is hereby incorporated  
16 into a separate town by the name of West Rock-  
17 land, and the inhabitants thereof are hereby invested  
18 with all the powers and privileges, and subject to  
19 all the duties and liabilities incident to other towns  
20 in this state.

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

SECT. 3. The city of Rockland and the town of  
2 West Rockland shall continue to constitute one  
3 representative district the same as now, until the  
4 next appointment.

SECT. 4. The town of West Rockland shall con-  
2 stitute one school district until otherwise estab-  
3 lished by said town.

SECT. 5. All persons hereafter becoming charge-  
2 able as paupers, shall be chargeable to that city or  
3 town on whose territory they last resided, but past

4 residence as a pauper on the city farm is hereby  
5 excepted.

SECT. 6. The county commissioners of the county  
2 of Knox, for the time being, shall be a board of  
3 commissioners to adjudicate upon the division of  
4 the property now belonging to said city, and the  
5 indebtedness thereof, according to the number of  
6 inhabitants and the valuation of said city and the  
7 town of West Rockland. Said commissioners shall  
8 as soon as practicable after application by either  
9 party, give reasonable notice of a time and place  
10 of meeting, and shall then examine all of said prop-  
11 erty, personal, real and mixed, except the books  
12 and records and public cemeteries, and appraise  
13 the same; they shall also ascertain the indebtedness  
14 of said city, and its liabilities both fixed and con-  
15 tingent, and after hearing the parties they shall  
16 determine and award to which party each piece of  
17 property shall belong, what proportion of the in-  
18 debtedness of said city and of said liabilities the  
19 town of West Rockland shall assume, the same to  
20 be paid by said town to said city when and as fast  
21 as such indebtedness and liabilities are paid by  
22 said city. And if said award directs that any part  
23 of the property, real or personal, now belonging to  
24 said city, shall become the property of West Rock-

25 land, said award shall be deemed and held to be a  
26 sufficient conveyance thereof. And said commis-  
27 sioners shall determine and award in regard to all  
28 matters and questions arising by reason of the  
29 division of said city not herein specially provided  
30 for, and their award shall be final. They shall  
31 make their award in writing and in duplicate, and  
32 return one copy to the clerk of said city, and the  
33 other to the clerk of said town, and they shall be  
34 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  
3 meeting of the town of West Rockland, by post-  
4 ing a warrant therefor, stating the objects of the  
5 meeting, in three public and conspicuous places in  
6 said town, at least seven days before the time of  
7 holding said meeting.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 7, 1879. }

Reported from the majority of the Committee on Towns, by Mr.  
HANSON of Lee, and ordered printed.

B. L. STAPLES, *Clerk.*