

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 61.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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### AN ACT to incorporate the Bucksport Village Corporation.

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

SECTION 1. The territory embraced within the  
2 first school district of the town of Bucksport,  
3 together with the inhabitants thereon, is hereby  
4 created a body politic and corporate by the name of  
5 the Bucksport Village Corporation, with all the  
6 rights and privileges granted by the laws of the  
7 State to corporations.

SECT. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized  
2 and vested with power at any legal meeting called  
3 for the purpose, to raise money by assessment or  
4 loan for the following purposes, viz: to create and  
5 maintain a fire department, to maintain a police  
6 and a night watch, to light the streets and to pro-  
7 cure or pay for water for fire and domestic pur-  
8 poses; to construct and repair sewers and side-  
9 walks, and for the support of schools, and may  
10 make all suitable contracts for the purposes afore-  
11 said; and may lay pipes or authorize the same in  
12 the public streets for purposes of sewerage and  
13 water supply.

SECT. 3. Money raised by said corporation for  
2 any lawful purpose, shall be assessed upon the  
3 property and polls, within the territory aforesaid,  
4 by its assessors, in the same manner as town taxes  
5 are assessed. The assessors may copy the last  
6 valuations of said property, made by the assessors  
7 of the town of Bucksport, and assess the tax  
8 thereon; or if the corporation shall so direct, may  
9 correct said valuation, or make a new valuation  
10 thereof, according to the principles established by  
11 the last State tax, and assess the tax on that valu-  
12 ation.

SECT. 4. Upon a certificate being filed with the  
2 assessors of the corporation by the clerk thereof,  
3 showing the amount of money lawfully raised at  
4 any meeting, they shall proceed as soon as may be,  
5 to assess the same upon the polls and estates of  
6 the persons residing upon the territory aforesaid,  
7 and upon the estates located therein, of non-resi-  
8 dent proprietors, and lists of the assessments so  
9 made shall be certified and delivered to the collector  
10 of said corporation, who shall collect the same as  
11 town taxes are collected, and pay the same within  
12 such time as the warrant shall prescribe, to the  
13 corporation treasurer; and the treasurer shall  
14 receive the same and pay it out on the orders of  
15 the assessors for legitimate expenses of the corpor-  
16 ation, and keep regular accounts of his official  
17 transactions, and exhibit the same to the assessors  
18 when requested, and make report to each meeting  
19 of the corporation at which officers shall be chosen.  
20 The corporation shall have the same power which  
21 towns have to direct the mode of collecting taxes.

SECT. 5. The officers of the corporation shall  
2 consist of a clerk, treasurer, collector, three asses-  
3 sors and such other officers as its by-laws may  
4 properly allow; and said officers shall hold office  
5 for one year from the dates of their elections, and

6 afterwards until their successors are chosen and  
7 qualified, and shall severally have exclusively all  
8 the power and authority within the limits of said  
9 corporation, that similar officers chosen by towns,  
10 now have or may have.

SECT. 6. The corporation, at any legal meeting,  
2 may adopt a code of by-laws not repugnant to the  
3 laws of the State, nor to its charter, for the efficient  
4 management of its affairs.

SECT. 7. All officers of the corporation shall be  
2 chosen by ballot and sworn to the faithful perform-  
3 ance of their duties; the first election to be at the  
4 meeting of the legal voters on the territory aforesaid,  
5 called to accept this charter, and the annual elections  
6 shall be held in the month of April.

SECT. 8. The clerk shall record all the doings  
2 and proceedings at the meetings of the corporation.

SECT. 9. The collector and treasurer shall each  
2 give bond in such sum and with such sureties as the  
3 corporation or its assessors may order, but in not  
4 less than double the amount of the taxes raised as  
5 aforesaid, to the inhabitants of the corporation, for  
6 the faithful performance of their duties; and said  
7 bonds shall be approved in writing by the assessors  
8 and clerk, and kept by the clerk.

SECT. 10. This charter may be accepted at any  
2 time within five years from its approval by the  
3 governor, and its rejection in any calendar year  
4 shall not prevent its acceptance in any later calen-  
5 dar year during the time aforesaid. E. P. Emerson,  
6 O. F. Fellows, G. W. McAlister or Geo. W. Abbott,  
7 or either of them, may call all meetings of the inhab-  
8 itants of said territory, previous to the acceptance  
9 of this charter and the election of officers, by pub-  
10 lishing the time, place and objects of said meeting,  
11 in the Ellsworth American seven days at least  
12 before the time of holding the meeting; and all  
13 subsequent meetings shall be called and notified  
14 by the assessors as town meetings are called and  
15 notified.

SECT. 11. All persons liable to be taxed for  
2 polls, residing within the limits of said corporation  
3 shall be legal voters at any meeting thereof.

SECT. 12. At any meeting prescribed in section  
2 ten of this act the legal voters shall vote by ballot  
3 on the question of accepting the charter; and if  
4 two-thirds of all the persons present and voting  
5 lawfully at said meeting shall vote in favor of its  
6 acceptance, then it shall take effect, and the corpo-  
7 ration shall proceed to organize and choose its  
8 officers.

SECT. 13. This act shall not, either before or  
2 after its acceptance, destroy or abridge any right,  
3 power or duty of the town of Bucksport.

SECT. 14. This act shall take effect when ap-  
2 proved by the governor, but shall not bind the  
3 inhabitants of the territory aforesaid, until its  
4 acceptance by them as hereinbefore provided.





STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 6, 1891. }

Tabled pending first reading, by Mr. FULLER of Tremont, and  
ordered printed.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*