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Sixty-Fifth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 115.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend Section 119 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Railroads.

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

Section 119 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes

- 2 is hereby amended by adding and inserting after the
- 3 words "matters" in the third line of said section the
- 4 following: 'or when the managers of the latter road neg-
- 5 lect or fail or refuse to perform the requirements, pro-
- 6 visions or conditions of the charter under which they hold
- 7 and operate their railroad and acts additional and amend-
- 8 atory thereto;' so that said section as amended shall read
- 9 as follows:

When the managers of a railroad author-' Section 119. 11 ized to cross or connect with another road are unable to 12 agree therewith, as to transportation of passengers and 13 freight over their roads, and upon other matters, or when 14 the managers of the latter road neglect or fail or refuse to 15 perform the requirements, provisions or conditions of the 16 charter under which they hold and operate their railroad 17 and acts additional and amendatory thereto, they may 18 apply to said commissioners in writing, and either of them 19 may indorse an order of notice thereon to all interested, 20 fixing a time and place for hearing; and the applicant 21 shall cause such order to be complied with. At such 22 hearing any corporation or person claiming to be inter-23 ested, may be made a party and be heard thereon, though 24 not named in the application; said commissioners have 25 the authority of courts of law to summon witnesses, and 26 compel their attendance and testimony, and depositions 27 may be taken and used as in suits at law. 28 hearing is closed, they shall determine and award the rates 29 for transporting passengers, freight or cars over the road 30 of each or over any road on which either is a common 31 carrier by contract or otherwise, and all other matters in 32 controversy between the two roads arising from such con-33 necting, or crossing, or the times of doing so; and may 34 require either party to give security to the other for the 35 payment of balances resulting from their mutual business, 36 on such terms as they deem equitable; and may determine 37 that their award may be suspended, after its acceptance, 38 at the election of the party injured by the non-per-39 formance of the conditions thereof by the other.'



STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, February 19, 1891.

Reported by Mr. HILL of Augusta, from Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.