

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 313.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal
Church in the Diocese of Maine.

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

SECTION 1. The bishop holding, under the canons, laws
2 and regulations governing the Protestant Episcopal
3 Church in the United States of America, the office of
4 Bishop of said Church in the Diocese of Maine for any
5 time being, and his successors in said office, are hereby
6 declared to be a corporation sole.

SECT. 2. Said corporation has power and is authorized
2 to take, hold, manage and convey real and personal estate
3 for any purpose connected with the uses, purposes, usages,
4 rites, worship, discipline and government of the Protestant

5 Episcopal Church in said United States or in said diocese,
6 or of any parish, mission, or society in communion or con-
7 nection therewith.

SECT. 3. In case of any alteration in the official desig-
2 nation of said Protestant Episcopal Church in the United
3 States of America, whereby under any laws or regulations
4 governing said diocese the official style of said bishop shall
5 also become changed, such change shall not affect the
6 existence and succession of said corporation sole, but the
7 same shall continue under the name and style conforming
8 to such change.

SECT. 4. All deeds of real estate heretofore given to
2 the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the
3 Diocese of Maine and his successors in said office are hereby
4 declared to be valid instruments, and to vest the title to
5 the estate therein described in the said bishop and his suc-
6 cessors as a corporation sole as aforesaid; and all the effect
7 and force intended by the parties to any such deed shall
8 be given thereto, according to the purport and provisions
9 thereof.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 10, 1893. }

Reported by Mr. SCOTT of Patten, from Committee on Legal
Affairs, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*