

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 91.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section ninety-five chapter eighteen of
the Revised Statutes, relating to Buildings and Fences,
within the limits of streets and highways.

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

Section ninety-five of chapter eighteen of the Revised
2 Statutes is hereby amended by adding after the last word
3 of said section, the following: 'Persons owning lands
4 beside a highway or town way on which are buildings or
5 fences that encroach within the limits of said way, may by
6 a writing under seal, by them signed and acknowledged
7 as deeds are acknowledged, and recorded in the registry
8 of deeds for the county in which the land lies, admit to
9 the municipal officers of the town in which said way

10 exists, the true bounds or limits of said way and the
11 extent of their wrongful occupancy thereof. And there-
12 after such persons, and all claiming title under or through
13 them, shall be estopped from asserting any right to the
14 continuance of such buildings or fences within said limits
15 for the full term of forty years from the date of such
16 deed,' so that the section as amended shall read :

'Section 95. When buildings or fences have existed
18 more than twenty years fronting upon any way, street,
19 lane, or land appropriated to public use, the bounds of
20 which cannot be made certain by records or monuments,
21 such buildings or fences shall be deemed the true bounds
22 thereof. When the bounds can be so made certain, no
23 time less than forty years will justify their continuance
24 thereon, and on indictment and conviction they may be
25 removed. Persons owning lands beside a highway or
26 town way, on which are buildings or fences that encroach
27 within the limits of said way, may by a writing under seal,
28 by them signed and acknowledged, and recorded in the
29 registry of deeds for the county in which the land lies,
30 admit to the municipal officers of the town in which said
31 way exists, the true bounds or limits of said way, and the
32 extent of their wrongful occupancy thereof. And there-
33 after such persons, and all claiming title under or through
34 them, shall be estopped from asserting any right to the
35 continuance of such buildings or fences within said limits,
36 for the full term of forty years from the date of such
37 deed.'

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 8, 1895.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*