

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 315.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to supply the people of Buckfield Village Corpora-
tion and vicinity with Pure Water.

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

SECTION 1. William H. Atwood, Isaac W. Shaw,
2 Jennet A. Rawson, Horace A. Irish, Alphonso F. Warren,
3 Joseph C. Caldwell and Josephine Thomes, with their
4 associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation
5 by the name of the Buckfield Aqueduct Company, for the
6 purpose of conveying to and supplying Buckfield Village
7 Corporation or Buckfield village and vicinity with pure
8 water, for domestic and other purposes.

SECT. 2. Said corporation, for said purposes, may hold
2 real and personal estate necessary and convenient therefor,
3 not exceeding sixty thousand dollars in value.

SECT. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized, for the
2 purposes aforesaid, to take, detain and use the water of
3 wells or springs not used for domestic purposes, and all
4 streams and springs in the towns of Buckfield, Hartford,
5 and Sumner, in the county of Oxford, and is also authorized
6 to erect and maintain force pumps, reservoirs and dams,
7 and lay down and maintain pipes and aqueducts necessary
8 for the proper accumulating, conducting, discharging, dis-
9 tributing and disposing of water, and forming proper
10 reservoirs therefor; and said corporation may take and
11 hold by purchase or otherwise, any lands or real estate
12 necessary therefor, and may excavate through any lands,
13 when necessary for the purposes of this incorporation.

SECT. 4. Said corporation shall be held liable to pay
2 all damages that shall be sustained by any person or cor-
3 poration by the taking of any land or other property, or
4 by flowage, or by excavating through any land for the
5 purpose of laying down pipes and aqueducts, building
6 dams and reservoirs, and also damages for any other
7 injuries resulting from said acts; and if any person or
8 corporation sustaining damage as aforesaid, and said cor-
9 poration cannot mutually agree upon the sum to be paid
10 therefor, such person or corporation may cause his
11 damages to be ascertained in the same manner and under
12 the same conditions, restrictions and limitations as are by
13 law prescribed in the case of damages by the laying out of
14 railroads.

SECT. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be
2 forty thousand dollars, which may be increased to sixty
3 thousand dollars by a vote of said corporation, and said
4 stock shall be divided into shares of ten dollars each.

SECT. 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized to lay
2 down, in and through the streets and ways in said town of
3 Buckfield, and to take up, replace and repair all such
4 pipes, aqueducts and fixtures as may be necessary for the
5 purposes of their incorporation, under such reasonable
6 restrictions as may be imposed by the selectmen of said
7 town. And said corporation shall be responsible for all
8 damages to persons and property occasioned by the use of
9 such streets and ways, and shall further be liable to pay to
10 said town all sums recovered against said town for dam-
11 ages from obstruction caused by said corporation, and for
12 all expenses, including reasonable counsel fees, incurred
13 in defending such suits, with interest on the same.

SECT. 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make
2 contracts with said town of Buckfield, Buckfield Village
3 Corporation, and with other corporations and individuals
4 for the purposes of supplying water as contemplated by
5 said act; and said town of Buckfield, by its selectmen,
6 and said Buckfield Village Corporation, by its assessors,
7 are hereby authorized to enter into contracts with said
8 company for the supply of water, and for such exemption
9 from public burden as said town and Buckfield Village
10 Corporation and said company may agree upon, which,
11 when made, shall be legal and binding upon all parties
12 thereto.

SECT. 8. Said corporation shall have power to cross
2 any private or public sewer, or to change the direction
3 thereof, when necessary for the purposes of their incor-
4 poration, but in such manner as not to obstruct or impair
5 the use thereof, and said corporation shall be liable for
6 any injury caused thereby; whenever the company shall

7 lay down any pipes in any street, or make any alterations
8 or repairs upon its works in any street, it shall cause the
9 same to be done with as little obstruction to public travel
10 as may be practicable, and shall at its own expense, with-
11 out unnecessary delay, cause the earth and pavements
12 removed by it to be replaced in proper condition.

SECT. 9. Said corporation may issue its bonds for the
2 construction of its works, upon such rates and times as it
3 may deem expedient, not exceeding thirty thousand dollars,
4 and secure the same by mortgage of the franchise and
5 property of said company.

SECT. 10. In case the works of this corporation shall
2 not have been put into actual operation within two years
3 from the date of the approval of this act, the rights and
4 privileges herein granted shall be null and void.

SECT. 11. The first meeting of said corporation may
2 be called by a written notice thereof, signed by any three
3 corporators herein named, served upon each corporator by
4 giving him the same in hand, or by leaving the same at his
5 last usual place of abode, seven days before the time of
6 meeting.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 7, 1895.

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W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*