

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

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SENATE.

No. 33.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT relating to a branch railroad track in Ashland and  
Sheridan Plantation.

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

Section 1. Whenever the Bangor and Aroostook Rail-  
2 road Company shall present to the railroad commissioners, a  
3 location (not exceeding four rods in width) of the branch  
4 railroad track as now constructed from the main line of the  
5 railroad of said company in Ashland in Aroostook county to  
6 the mill of the Ashland Manufacturing Company in Sheridan  
7 Plantation in said county, said railroad commissioners are  
8 hereby authorized and directed to approve such location if it  
9 is satisfactory to them. After such location shall have been

10 so approved, said railroad company shall cause to be filed  
11 with the clerk of courts of said Aroostook county a copy of  
12 said approved location and endorsed thereon shall be a copy  
13 of said approval duly certified to be such by the clerk of said  
14 railroad commissioners. When said copy is so filed with  
15 said clerk of courts, said branch railroad track shall be and  
16 be considered as legally located and shall thereafter be main-  
17 tained and operated under the direction of the railroad com-  
18 missioners as a branch railroad track pursuant to the pro-  
19 visions of section 18 of chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes,  
20 and the land embraced in said location shall be deemed to  
21 have been taken and shall thereafter be held as for public  
22 uses and for the real estate so taken damages shall be esti-  
23 mated and paid as provided in section 18 of said chapter 51.

Sect. 2. After the approval of such location whenever  
2 said railroad company shall present to the railroad commis-  
3 sioners a petition asking for the approval of the present  
4 crossing of the Old State road by said branch railroad track,  
5 and said railroad commissioners shall approve such crossing,  
6 the same shall thereupon be and become a legal and suffi-  
7 cient crossing and said railroad commissioners are hereby  
8 authorized and directed to approve said crossing if it is built  
9 to their satisfaction and to prescribe the manner and condi-  
10 tions under which it shall be thereafter maintained and if  
11 said crossing is not now built to their satisfaction, said com-  
12 missioners shall state in writing what changes shall be made  
13 in said crossing and when such changes are made, then said

14 crossing shall become a legal and sufficient crossing. Said  
15 company shall cause to be filed with said clerk of courts, a  
16 copy of the approval of said crossing duly certified to be  
17 such by the clerk of said commissioners.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN SENATE, January 28, 1897.

Reported by Mr. McCULLOUGH, from Committee on Railroads, Telegraphs and Expresses, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary.*