

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 154.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT authorizing the Manufacturing Investment Company
to locate, erect and maintain piers and booms in the Kennebec
River.

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

Section 1. The Manufacturing Investment Company, its
2 successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered
3 to locate, erect and maintain in the Kennebec river, between
4 the towns of Madison and Anson, in the county of Somerset,
5 and State of Maine, between land of Hiram H. Weston in
6 said town of Madison and land located in said Anson, not
7 more than one and one-fourth miles above the bridge of the

8 Norridgewock Falls Bridge Company that is now erected
9 across said Kennebec river, piers and booms for the purpose
10 of collecting, holding and sorting out logs, pulp wood and
11 other lumber coming down said Kennebec river. Said works
12 shall be so constructed as to provide for the prompt and con-
13 venient passage of all logs, pulp wood and other lumber that
14 may come within the same, without unreasonable or unneces-
15 sary delay; and it shall be the duty of said Investment Com-
16 pany to sort and turn out at least twenty-two thousand five
17 hundred logs per day on the average, each week, through
18 said booms, when there is that number therein; but in case
19 said Investment Company does not sort and turn out the re-
20 quired number, the Kennebec Log Driving Company, upon
21 notice to said Manufacturing Investment Company in writ-
22 ing, left at its office, shall have the right to put men of its
23 own selection upon said booms at the charge and expense of
24 said Investment Company, in order that the required number
25 of logs may be put through the same; but nothing herein
26 contained shall make said Investment Company liable for any
27 delay caused by said piers and booms except as herein other-
28 wise specified.

Any stray logs, pulp wood or other lumber not destined for
30 use and manufacture at the mill of said Investment Company,
31 if found in the storage booms of said Investment Company,
32 shall be turned out thereof by said Investment Company at
33 its own charge and expense upon demand in writing of the
34 owners thereof or of said Kennebec Log Driving Company.
35 All damage for flowage caused by the construction of said

36 piers and booms shall be determined by the County Commis-
37 sioners of said Somerset county.

Sect. 2. Said Manufacturing Investment Company shall
2 be liable to indemnify the Kennebec Log Driving Company
3 and the log owners for any logs or damage by reason of logs
4 or other lumber lodged on lands adjoining the waters affected
5 by any works constructed under this act whenever said lodg-
6 ment is caused by any jam produced by said works.

Sect. 3. Said Manufacturing Investment Company, its
2 successors and assigns, may take such lands as may be neces-
3 sary for the erection and maintenance of said piers and booms
4 mentioned in section one and connecting the same with the
5 shores, and may with their agents and teams pass and repass
6 over said shores to and from the same over the lands of other
7 persons, for the purposes aforesaid and for the operation and
8 management of said booms. Said company shall be held
9 liable to pay all damages that shall be sustained by any per-
10 son or persons by the taking of any lands or rights of way
11 and for any other injuries resulting from said acts; and if
12 any person sustaining damage as aforesaid shall not agree
13 with said company upon the sum to be paid therefor, either
14 party on petition to the County Commissioners of Somerset
15 county may have said damage assessed by them; and sub-
16 sequent proceedings and rights of appeal thereon shall be
17 had in the same manner and under the same conditions, re-
18 strictions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case
19 of damages by the laying out of highways.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Augusta, February 22, 1899.

Reported by Mr. PEABODY of Princeton, from Committee on Interior
Waters, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*