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NEW DRAFT.

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# Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 166.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to authorize the City of Lewiston to take Water for  
Domestic Purposes.

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

Section 1. The city of Lewiston is hereby authorized and  
2 empowered to take water from Lake Auburn, or any pond  
3 in Androscoggin county sufficient for domestic purposes in  
4 said city, including a sufficient quantity for extinguishing  
5 fires and the supply of hotels, livery stables and laundries and  
6 for sprinkling streets within said city, and for running  
7 motors, elevators, dynamos, fans and all other mechanical  
8 contrivances that may now or hereafter become suitable or

9 necessary for the convenience or comfort of the citizens, and  
10 the said city of Lewiston is further authorized and empow-  
11 ered to take and convey the water of Lake Auburn or any  
12 pond as aforesaid, through any or all the town of said county  
13 as may be necessary, and across the Androscoggin river, by  
14 an aqueduct or pipe sunk to any depth desirable for the pur-  
15 pose, and may also take and hold, by purchase or otherwise,  
16 any land necessary for laying and maintaining said aqueduct  
17 or pipe line, with all necessary locks, gates, dams or other  
18 structures essential to carry the water from Lake Auburn  
19 or any pond as aforesaid to the pumping station of said city  
20 of Lewiston, located on the banks of the Androscoggin river  
21 at the head of the Lewiston falls.

Sect. 2. The board of water commissioners of said city of  
2 Lewiston may enter upon any land within the limits of  
3 Androscoggin county for locating the necessary aqueduct,  
4 pipes, locks or other structures, doing no unnecessary dam-  
5 age, and said city of Lewiston may take and hold the quan-  
6 tity of land necessary in the opinion of said water commis-  
7 sioners for any of the purposes above named; and within  
8 thirty days after determining the quantity of land and the  
9 boundaries thereof to be taken and held, said city of Lewis-  
10 ton shall file in the registry of deeds for the county of  
11 Androscoggin a full description of the same, with the pur-  
12 poses for which it is taken, signed by the aforesaid water  
13 commissioners, and after filing said description and purposes  
14 may enter upon, take and hold the land included in said  
15 description for the purposes designated therein, and may use  
16 any portion of the land so taken and held, with any materials

17 thereon in the erection of any structure, making any grade,  
18 filling or embankment, the damages therefor to be assessed  
19 as provided in section 3 of this act.

Sect. 3. The said city of Lewiston shall be liable for the  
2 damages sustained by any persons or corporations in their  
3 property by the taking of any land for pipes, aqueducts, gates,  
4 locks, dams, or other structures used by said city in convey-  
5 ing the water as aforesaid and shall be liable for damages for  
6 any land taken under the provisions of this act; and if said  
7 damages cannot be determined by such persons or corpora-  
8 tions and the water commissioners of said city acting for  
9 said city, such persons or corporations may cause their  
10 damages to be assessed and determined in the same manner  
11 and under the same limitations as in case of land taken for  
12 county ways.

Sect. 4. Damages to any persons or corporations or mill  
2 owners for taking water, water rights or privileges from any  
3 pond under the provisions of this act, shall be determined  
4 and assessed in the same manner as herein provided in sec-  
5 tion three, for land taken under the provisions of this act.

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, February 23, 1899.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*