## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## Seventieth Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 75

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to authorize telephone, telegraph, electric light, heat and power companies to place their wires under the surface of public ways.

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

Section 1. Telegraph, telephone, electric light, heat

- 2 and power companies chartered by special act of the legis-
- 3 lature or organized under the general laws of the State,
- 4 and all such companies, wherever chartered or organized,
- 5 engaged in business of transmitting intelligence, heat,
- 6 light or power by electricity, are hereby authorized in any
- 7 city or town to place their wires and cables and all con-
- 8 duits and other structures for conducting and maintaining
- 9 such wires and cables under the surface of those streets and

10 highways in which such companies are empowered to 11 obtain locations for their poles and wires; subject, how12 ever, to the written permit therefor of the municipal offi13 cers of such city or town, and subject also to such rules 14 and regulations as to location and construction as such 15 municipal officers may designate in their permit. Pro16 ceedings for obtaining permit to place wires and cables 17 under the surface of streets and highways may be had in 18 accordance with the provisions of chapter 378 of the 19 Public Laws of 1885, relating to the location of posts and 20 wires in public ways.

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.



## STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 22, 1901.

Reported by Mr. WHITE from Committee on the Judiciary, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.