

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Seventy-first Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 467

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to incorporate the Maine Coast Telephone Company.

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

Section 1. George A. Sawyer and Charles M. Cole, their  
2 associates and successors, are hereby made a body corporate  
3 by the name of the Maine Coast Telephone Company, with  
4 all the rights, powers and privileges, and subject to all the  
5 duties and obligations of similar corporations under the gen-  
6 eral laws of this State, with power by that name to sue and  
7 be sued, to have a common seal, to establish all by-laws and  
8 regulations for the management of its affairs not repugnant  
9 to the laws of this State and to do and perform any and all  
10 legal acts, incident to similar corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized to construct,  
2 own, maintain and operate telephone line or lines anywhere

3 in the towns of Milbridge, Steuben and Harrington, all within  
4 the county of Washington and State of Maine, having  
5 obtained consent of the several municipalities, and said corpo-  
6 ration shall have the right to locate and construct its lines  
7 upon and along any public highway or bridge in said towns,  
8 but in such a way as not to incommode or endanger the  
9 customary use thereof; and shall have the power to establish  
10 and collect tolls on said lines.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empow-  
2 ered to connect its lines with those of any other telephone  
3 company or corporation on such terms as may be mutually  
4 agreed upon, or to sell or lease its line or lines of telephone  
5 and property in whole or in part, either before or after com-  
6 pletion to any other telephone company or corporation, as  
7 provided by law or upon such terms as may be agreed by the  
8 contracting parties, which sale or lease shall be binding upon  
9 the parties; or may purchase or lease any other line or lines  
10 of telephone upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed  
11 by the parties thereto.

Sect. 4. If the land of any individual or corporation is taken  
2 under this act, and the parties cannot agree upon the damages  
3 occasioned thereby, they shall be estimated, secured and paid  
4 in the manner provided in the case of land taken for railroads.

Sect. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall be of  
2 such an amount as said corporation may, from time to time  
3 determine to be necessary, but not exceeding the sum of ten  
4 thousand dollars, for the sole purpose of owning, leasing,  
5 constructing, maintaining and operating the line or lines of  
6 telephone hereby authorized and contemplated. And the said  
7 corporation may purchase, hold, lease, sell and convey all real  
8 estate and personal property necessary for the purposes con-  
9 templated in this charter.

Sect. 6. Any one of the incorporators named in this act may  
2 call the first meeting of the corporation by mailing a written

3 notice signed by himself, postage paid, to each of the other  
4 incorporators, seven days at least before the day of the meet-  
5 ing, naming the time, place and purposes of such meeting,  
6 and at such meeting a president, secretary, treasurer and  
7 directors may be chosen, by-laws adopted, present amount of  
8 capital stock fixed, and any corporate business transacted.

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

AUGUSTA, March 19, 1903.

Reported by 'Mr. DANIELS of Portland, from Committee on Rail-  
roads, Telegraphs and Expresses, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*