

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 351

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to authorize the Emerson Lumber Company to erect
and maintain dams across the west branch of the Mattawam-
keag river in the town of Island Falls in the county of Aroos-
took.

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

Section 1. The Emerson Lumber Company, a corporation
2 organized under the general laws of Maine, located at Island
3 Falls in said State, is hereby authorized to maintain and
4 repair the existing dams across the west branch of the Matta-
5 wamkeag river at said Island Falls, and to raise the same
6 two feet; or to erect, construct, maintain, repair and extend

7 new dams upon the site of the existing dams or near the same,
8 providing suitable sluices are constructed and maintained by
9 said Emerson Lumber Company in the dam extending from
10 the south side of the island in said river to the mainland, at
11 its own expense, for the passage of logs and other lumber
12 running down said river, and by means of such dams to flow
13 any and all lands on said river or any of its tributaries.

Sect. 2. Said Emerson Lumber Company shall be liable
2 for all damages occasioned by flowing said lands by reason
3 of increasing the height of the existing dam across said river,
4 or in the construction of new dams higher than the present
5 dams, and in case said company and the owners of the land
6 so flowed cannot agree upon the amount of damage, the same
7 is to be ascertained and determined in the manner described
8 in chapter 94 of the Revised Statutes.

Sect. 3. Said dam shall not be permitted to raise the water
2 above the height it has hitherto been raised in and during the
3 driving season of any year.

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

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 3, 1905.

Reported by Mr. SARGENT from Committee on Interior Waters and
ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*