

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.

No. 358

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to authorize the Mattawamkeag Lumber Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the west branch of the Mattawamkeag river and Fish stream.

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

Section 1. The Mattawamkeag Lumber Company, duly  
2 organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maine,  
3 its successors and assigns are hereby authorized and empow-  
4 ered to locate, erect and maintain in the town of Island Falls,  
5 in the Mattawamkeag river, between the highway bridge and  
6 the mouth of Fish stream and in said Fish stream from the  
7 mouth thereof to the railroad bridge, piers and booms for the  
8 purpose of collecting, holding, separating and sorting out  
9 logs and other lumber coming down said Mattawamkeag

10 river and Fish stream. Provided, however, that sufficient  
11 sorting gaps are constructed, maintained and used for the  
12 passage of logs and other lumber through said boom, and  
13 provided further that said piers and storage booms shall not  
14 occupy more than half of said river and said Fish stream.  
15 Said piers and booms shall be so located, constructed, main-  
16 tained and used that logs and lumber running down said  
17 river and said Fish stream not destined for use and manu-  
18 facture at the mills at Island Falls shall not be unreasonably  
19 impeded or delayed, and in no case shall logs and other lum-  
20 ber be delayed longer than ninety-six hours, and the logs  
21 and lumber of other parties, when stopped for sorting shall  
22 be turned by as soon as they practically can be sorted and  
23 separated from the logs and lumber destined for manufacture  
24 at said mills. And in case said logs belonging to other  
25 parties are delayed for a longer period than twenty-four  
26 hours and less than ninety-six hours, then said company, its  
27 successors and assigns shall pay to the other owners of logs  
28 the expenses caused by such delay. Any stray logs or other  
29 lumber not destined for use and manufacture at the mills at  
30 Island Falls, if found in the booms of said company shall be  
31 turned out by said company at its own charge and expense  
32 prior to the passage of the rear of the drive. In case strays  
33 are not turned out as aforesaid during the passage of the  
34 drive and remain therein after the rear of the drive has  
35 passed the company's boom, said company, its successors and  
36 assigns shall pay to the owners of said strays the full market  
37 value thereof. The said company shall take into its booms  
38 all unmarked logs found in the drive and make and keep an  
39 accurate account thereof and within sixty days shall account  
40 for and pay to every owner of logs other than those manu-  
41 factured at the mills in Island Falls, such proportion of the  
42 full market value of said logs as his logs in the drive bear to  
43 the whole number driven and sorted.

Sect. 2. Said Mattawamkeag Lumber Company, its successors and assigns, by aid of such piers and booms are hereby authorized and empowered to separate and sort out from the logs and other lumber coming down said river, all logs and other lumber destined for use and manufacture at the mills at Island Falls. Provided, however, if upon the approach of the rear of the principal drive of logs at the boom of said company herein authorized to be maintained, it shall appear to the person in charge of such drive that said company has not sufficient men to sort and turn by the logs and other lumber arriving at said booms, so that such drive may be detained beyond the allowance of time hereinbefore contained, such person, upon notice in writing to said company, left at its office, shall have the right to put men of his own selection upon said booms to expedite the sorting and turning by of the logs and other lumber in such drive, who shall be paid by said company. And said company is also authorized and empowered to hold within the piers and booms mentioned in this act and located, erected and maintained as aforesaid, all logs and other lumber coming down said Mattawamkeag river and said Fish stream which are destined and intended for use and manufacture at the mills at Island Falls.

Sect. 3. The person or corporation having charge of and being responsible for the principal drive down said Mattawamkeag river shall have the right at any time to appoint an agent, who is hereby authorized and empowered and whose duty it shall be to supervise and inspect the sorting of the logs and other lumber running through the booms herein authorized, and said company at the beginning of every driving season or at the time of the appointment of such agent shall furnish such agent a list of marks upon all logs and other lumber intended to be manufactured at the mills at Island Falls, and such agents shall see to it that the

12 logs and other lumber not intended for manufacture at the  
13 mills at Island Falls are not unreasonably detained or delayed  
14 in said booms. The compensation of said agent shall not  
15 exceed two dollars fifty cents per day and shall be paid by  
16 said Mattawamkeag Lumber Company.

Sect. 4. In the event that in any driving season said com-  
2 pany does not avail itself of the privileges herein granted to  
3 take, hold, sort and detain logs, it shall before the arrival of  
4 the head of any drive, hang and maintain during such season  
5 booms around its piers, connected above the uppermost of  
6 said piers to one shore or the other of said Mattawamkeag  
7 river so that said piers shall not impede the driving of logs  
8 and lumber down said river.

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

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## STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Augusta, March 3, 1905.

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ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*