

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

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SENATE.

No. 1

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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 provide for Sewerage in the town of Caribou.

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

Section 1. George W. Irving, Everett E. Haynes and John  
2 P. Donworth with their associates and successors, are hereby  
3 made a corporation by the name of the Caribou Sewer Com-  
4 pany, for the purpose of providing in the town and village  
5 of Caribou, a system of public sewers and drainage, for the  
6 comfort, convenience and health of the people of said Cari-  
7 bou, with all the rights, privileges and immunities incident  
8 to similar corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation may acquire and hold real and  
2 personal estate, necessary and convenient for the purpose  
3 aforesaid, not exceeding in amount fifty thousand dollars;  
4 may sell and convey the same; may issue certificates of stock  
5 to an amount not exceeding the amount of its capital stock,  
6 and may issue and sell bonds to an amount not exceeding the

7 amount of its capital stock to aid in the construction of  
8 works.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized to take and  
2 hold by purchase or otherwise, any land, or real estate or  
3 easement therein, necessary for forming basins, reservoirs  
4 and outlets; for erecting buildings for pumping works, and  
5 for laying and maintaining conduits for carrying and collect-  
6 ing, discharging and disposing of sewerage matter and  
7 waters and for any other object necessary, convenient and  
8 proper for the purpose of this act.

Sect. 4. Said corporation may construct conduits, in man-  
2 ner aforesaid, in and through said village of Caribou, to and  
3 into the Aroostook river, the discharge therefrom to be at  
4 such points in said river as the municipal officers of said town  
5 have designated, at or near the Aroostook river bridge in  
6 said village of Caribou, and convey through the same sew-  
7 erage, surface water and the natural flowage of existing  
8 water courses, and secure and maintain basins, reservoirs and  
9 outlets; may construct and maintain flush tanks, man holes,  
10 lamp holes, and all usual appliances for collecting, holding,  
11 distributing, and disposing of sewerage matter; may estab-  
12 lish regulations for the use of sewers and fix and collect the  
13 prices to be paid for entering the same, and also the annual  
14 rental for using thereof; and said corporation is hereby  
15 authorized for the purposes aforesaid, under permission of  
16 the municipal officers of said town, and under such restric-  
17 tions and regulations as said municipal officers have pre-  
18 scribed, to lay down in and through the streets, highways  
19 and lands of said town, and take up, replace and repair all  
20 such conduits, pipes and fixtures, as may be necessary for  
21 the objects of its corporation; to carry and lay conduits, any  
22 pipes under any water course, railway or private way, and to  
23 cross any drain or sewer, or, if necessary, to change its direc-  
24 tion in such a manner as not to obstruct the use thereof, and

25 to enter and dig up any such street, road or way for the pur-  
26 pose of laying down pipes beneath the surface thereof, for  
27 placing man holes of other fixtures, and for maintaining and  
28 repairing the same, and in general, to do any other act or  
29 things necessary, convenient and proper to be done for the  
30 purposes of this act.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall file in the registry of deeds,  
2 for the southern district of Aroostook county, a certificate  
3 containing a description of land taken, or in which an ease-  
4 ment may be taken, under the provisions of this act, and a  
5 statement of the purposes for which it is taken to be recorded  
6 by the registry; and such land or easement, shall be deemed  
7 to be taken upon the filing of said certificate.

Sect. 6. Said corporation shall be liable to pay all damages  
2 that shall be sustained by any person in his property by tak-  
3 ing of any land, or easement therein, under the provisions  
4 of this act; and if any person sustaining damage as aforesaid,  
5 and said corporation shall not mutually agree upon the sum  
6 to be paid thereof, such person may cause his damages to be  
7 ascertained in the same manner and under the same condi-  
8 tions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the case of  
9 damages by the location of railroads.

Sect. 7. Said corporation, at all times, after it shall com-  
2 mence receiving pay for the facilities supplied by it, shall be  
3 bound to permit the owners of all premises, abutting upon  
4 its lines of pipes and conduits, to enter the same with all  
5 proper sewerage, upon conformity to the rules and regula-  
6 tions of said company, and payment of the prices and rentals  
7 established therefor.

Sect. 8. Any person who shall place or leave any offensive  
2 or injurious matter or materials in the conduits, catch basins  
3 or receptacles of said corporation, contrary to its regulations,  
4 or shall wilfully injure any conduit, pipe, reservoir, flush  
5 tank, catch basin, man hole, lamp hole, outlet, engine, pump

6 or other property held, owned or used by said corporation  
7 for the purposes of this act, shall pay twice the amount of  
8 damages to said corporation, to be recovered in any proper  
9 action; and every such person, on conviction of either of  
10 said acts of wilful injury aforesaid, shall be punished by a  
11 fine not exceeding two hundred dollars, and by imprisonment  
12 not exceeding one year.

Sect. 9. The affairs of said corporation shall be controlled  
2 by a board of directors, consisting of not less than three  
3 members, two-thirds of whom shall be citizens of the town  
4 of Caribou, and elected annually by vote of the stockholders  
5 of the corporation; and the board of directors shall choose  
6 such officers as may, from time to time, be required by the  
7 by-laws of the corporation.

Sect. 10. Any one of the persons mentioned in the first  
2 section of this act, may call the first meeting of said corpora-  
3 tion by giving one week's notice to each of the others.

Sect. 11. This act shall take effect when approved.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN SENATE, January 5, 1905.

Presented by Mr. IRVING of Aroostook, and on motion by same  
Senator, laid on the table to be printed, pending reference to Committee  
on Legal Affairs.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, *Secretary*.