

NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 253

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT relating to corporations.

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

Section I. The secretary of State shall prepare a list of all 2 corporations, giving the corporate name, the name of the 3 treasurer last filed in the office of the secretary of State, and 4 the amount of the annual franchise tax due for the year 5 nineteen hundred and three, except those which have been 6 duly excused as provided by statute or dissolved by decree of 7 court, which have not paid their franchise tax for the year 8 nineteen hundred and three, which list shall be published 9 three times for three consecutive weeks in the month of May 10 nineteen hundred and five, in three places within the State

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11 of Maine, namely, Bangor, Augusta and Portland, in such 12 newspaper in each place as the secretary of State may select. 13 The charter of any corporation so advertised which shall fail 14 to pay said franchise tax, and the expenses of advertising 15 the same on or before the first day of December, A. D. 1905, 16 shall be suspended, and such corporation shall have no right 17 to use the same. A charter so suspended may be revised by 18 payment of all franchise taxes and expenses of advertising 19 as aforesaid due from the corporation at the time of such 20 agreement. Any corporation where the charter shall have 21 become suspended as aforesaid, shall continue liable for its 22 yearly franchise tax, but while its charter is suspended as 23 aforesaid, no notice relating to said franchise tax need be 24 sent to the corporation by any state officer. The data cover-25 ing the avoiding of said charter, to wit: the fact of the 26 publication of the same and the dates thereof, and the avoid-27 ance of said charter by reason of such publication and the 28 failure to pay said overdue franchise tax as herein provided, 29 shall be so entered upon the corporation records of the State 30 and be certified by the secretary of State as evidence of the 31 suspension of the charter of such corporation. That the 32 sum of five hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated to 33 pay the expense hereof.

Sect. 2. Any person or persons who shall undertake to do 2 business, or do business of any kind in behalf of any such 3 corporation, or shall hold out such corporation as doing 4 business, or shall sell, transfer or put upon the market any 5 stocks or other evidence of indebtedness whatsoever of any 6 such corporation while the charter remains suspended as 7 herein provided, shall be subject to a fine of three hundred 8 dollars for the benefit of the State.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

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IN SENATE, March 22, 1905.

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

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretory