

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.

No. 299

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to incorporate the Van Buren Light and Power  
Company.

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

Section 1. Charles A. Milliken, James W. Parker, Arthur  
2 W. Brown, Clarence D. Farrer, Daniel Longfellow, Walter  
3 B. Parker, Henry A. Gagnon, Levite V. Thibodeau, Simeon  
4 Cyr and William H. Scott, their associates, successors, and  
5 assigns, are hereby made a body corporate by the name of  
6 the Van Buren Light and Power Company, with all the  
7 powers, rights and privileges and subject to all the duties  
8 and obligations conferred and imposed on corporations by  
9 law, except as herein otherwise provided.

Sect. 2. The purposes of said corporation are the making,  
2 generating, selling, distributing and supplying electricity for

3 lighting, heating, manufacturing or mechanical and power  
4 purposes in the towns of Van Buren and Hamlin, with all  
5 of the rights, privileges and powers and subject to all the  
6 restrictions and liabilities by law incident to corporations  
7 of a similar nature.

Sect. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall be  
2 twenty-five thousand dollars divided into shares of one hun-  
3 dred dollars, and said corporation is hereby authorized to  
4 issue bonds to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thou-  
5 sand dollars, payable at such times and bearing such rate  
6 of interest as said corporation by vote may determine, to  
7 accomplish the objects of its incorporation, and for the pur-  
8 poses contemplated by this act, the same to be secured by  
9 mortgage upon the franchise and property of said company.

Sect. 4. Said corporation is hereby empowered to set poles  
2 and extend wires and extend its lines in, upon, along, over,  
3 across and under the streets and roads in the towns of Van  
4 Buren and Hamlin for the purpose of furnishing electric  
5 lights, for the public and private use in said towns under  
6 such regulations and restrictions as may be established by  
7 the municipal officers in either town, within their limits  
8 respectively, and subject to the general laws of the state  
9 relating to such matters.

Sect. 5. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make  
2 contracts with the towns of Van Buren and Hamlin relative  
3 to lighting the streets of said towns, and for any other public  
4 purposes, and with other corporations and individuals for

5 the purpose of supplying them with electricity for light, heat  
6 and power, and said towns and other corporations and indi-  
7 viduals are hereby authorized to enter into such contracts  
8 with the Van Buren Light and Power Company, the towns  
9 by their selectmen, and the other corporations by their  
10 president and directors—or other officers. And said cor-  
11 poration and said municipalities may agree for any exemp-  
12 tion from public burdens which may be allowed by the laws  
13 of the state, which agreement when made shall be legal and  
14 binding upon the respective parties thereto.

Sect. 6. Said corporation shall not unnecessarily nor for  
2 any too long period of time encumber the roads or streets  
3 of the towns in which it is authorized to do business with  
4 any of the materials or appliances used in constructing its  
5 line. It shall not obstruct or in any way injure or remove  
6 any water-pipe or sewer-pipe, public or private, telegraph  
7 or telephone pole or wire, but may cross, or when necessary  
8 change the direction of any private wire or pipe, or sewer  
9 in such manner as not to impair the use thereof being  
10 responsible to the corporation, individual or individuals  
11 owning the same for any injury occasioned thereby in an  
12 action on the case.

Sect. 7. Said corporation is hereby authorized to purchase  
2 or lease any real or personal property necessary or conven-  
3 ient for the carrying on of its business of generating and  
4 furnishing electric light and power and to make any and all

5 contracts for the purchase of all such things as may be nec-  
6 essary or useful in connection with its plant.

Sect. 8. The principal office of said corporation shall be  
2 held in the town of Van Buren in the county of Aroostook.

Sect. 9. The first meeting of said corporation may be  
2 called by serving upon each corporator a written notice  
3 naming the time and place of said meeting, by giving the  
4 same to him in hand or mailing the same to him postage  
5 paid, seven days before the day named therein for such  
6 meeting. At said meeting all usual or necessary officers  
7 may be chosen and by-laws adopted as said corporators shall  
8 deem necessary and proper.

Sect. 10. This act shall take effect when approved.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, February 25, 1907.

Reported by Mr. SMITH from Committee on Judiciary, and ordered  
printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*