## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

HOUSE. No. 638

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to provide for the State of Maine to take land for the purpose of building and operating fish hatcheries.

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

Section 1. The commissioners of inland fisheries and game

- 2 for the location, construction, repairs and convenient opera-
- 3 tion of a fish hatchery or fish hatcheries and feeding stations
- 4 for fish may purchase, or take and hold, for and in behalf
- 5 of the State, as for public uses, land and all materials in and
- 6 upon it necessary for the purpose of establishing, erecting
- 7 and operating fish hatcheries.
- Sect. 2. For real estate so taken, the owners are entitled
- 2 to damages, to be paid by the State and estimated by the
- 3 county commissioners, on written application of either party,

- 4 made within one year after filing the location as hereinafter 5 provided, or if proceedings thus commenced fail for causes 6 not affecting the merits, new ones may be commenced within 7 one year thereafter.
- Sect. 3. When the commissioners of inland fisheries and 2 game deem that a public exigency requires the taking of any 3 land or rights for the purposes aforesaid, they shall cause the 4 same to be surveyed, located, and so described that the same 5 can be identified, and a plan thereof shall be filed in the 6 office of the register of deeds in the county where the land 7 or rights are located, and there recorded.

The filing of such plan and description shall vest the title 9 to the land and rights aforesaid, in the State of Maine, or to their grantees, to be held during the pleasure of the State.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives, Augusta, March 19, 1907.

Reported by Mr. MERRILL from Committee on Inland Fisheries at d Game and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.