

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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SENATE.

No. 164

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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 in relation to the Union Water Power Company.

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

Section 1. The Union Water Power Company of Lewiston,  
2 its successors and assigns, in addition to the rights, privileges  
3 and powers now possessed by said corporation by virtue of  
4 its organization under the general laws of Maine and by  
5 chapter four hundred and forty-eight of the Private and  
6 Special Laws of Maine, approved February 24th, 1885, is  
7 hereby granted the right to dredge, deepen, straighten and  
8 improve the outlets and outlet streams of both the Moose-

9 lucmaguntic and Richardson lakes in the county of Oxford,  
10 Maine, and to draw down the waters of said lakes or either  
11 of them to the level of the sill of the deep gates now in the  
12 dams maintained by said company at the outlets of each of  
13 said lakes when necessary to maintain a flow of water in the  
14 Androscoggin river through Errol dam in the state of New  
15 Hampshire, of not more than fourteen hundred (1,400) cubic  
16 feet of water per second,—provided, however, that the sills  
17 of the deep gates now in the dams at the outlets of each of  
18 said lakes shall not be lowered from their present elevation,  
19 nor the waters of either of said lakes drawn below the pres-  
20 ent level of said sills, and that the waters of said lakes shall  
21 not be drawn below the natural low water level of said lakes  
22 between the first days of April and December in each year;  
23 and provided further that the rights granted herein shall not  
24 be exercised by the Union Water Power Company until a  
25 dam shall have been erected across Rapid river, at the outlet  
26 of pond in the river, so called, below Middle dam, so as to  
27 aid in better controlling the water used in driving logs and  
28 thereby diminish the quantity of water to be drawn from said  
29 lakes for log driving purposes.

Sect. 2. The Union Water Power Company shall be liable  
2 for any legal damages sustained by any persons in property  
3 by the drawing down of the waters of said lakes under the  
4 provisions of this act below the natural low water level of  
5 said lakes, and in case the parties are unable to agree upon  
6 the amount of such damages, the same may be determined

7 upon the application of either party made within two years  
8 after the damages are caused to the county commissioners of  
9 Oxford county, who shall assess the damages legally recover-  
10 able in the same manner and under the same restrictions,  
11 conditions, limitations, and rights of appeal as are by law  
12 provided in the case of laying out of highways, so far as such  
13 provisions are applicable thereto.

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

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12 pany at the outlets of each of said lakes, provided, however,  
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### MAJORITY REPORT.

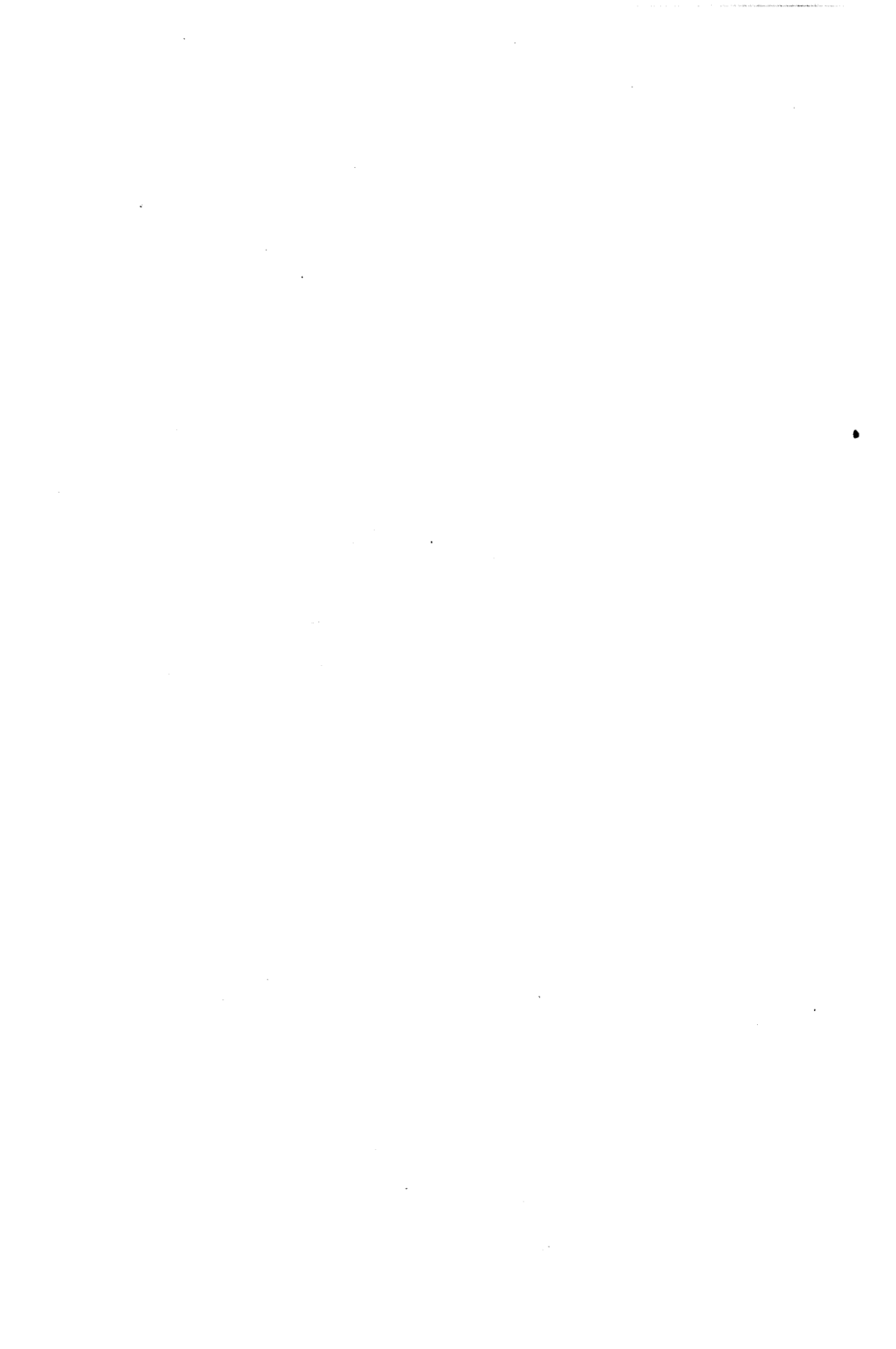
The Committee on Legal Affairs to which was referred the bill, entitled "An Act in relation to the Union Water Power Company" have had the same under consideration and ask leave to report the same in a new draft, under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

MILLS,  
CLARKE,  
HALL,  
DUNTON,  
THERIAULT,  
DYER,  
HADLOCK.

### MINORITY REPORT.

The Committee on Legal Affairs to which was referred the bill, entitled "An Act in relation to the Union Water Power Company" have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report that the same ought not to pass.

L. M. STAPLES,  
MARTIN,  
STEARNS.





STATE OF MAINE.

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IN SENATE, February 28, 1907.

Majority and minority reports of Committee on Legal Affairs, with old and new drafts of bill, tabled for printing on motion by Mr. MILLS of Hancock, pending the motion of Mr. HASTINGS of Oxford to substitute minority report for majority report.

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary*.