

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.

No. 277

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to incorporate the Bibbers Island Water Company.

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*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

Section 1. Clarence E. Lane and associates are hereby  
2 made a corporation by the name of the Bibbers Island Wa-  
3 ter Company, for the purpose of supplying Bibbers Island  
4 in the town of Freeport, County of Cumberland, State of  
5 Maine, and the inhabitants of said island with pure water  
6 for domestic and sanitary purposes for five months of the  
7 year more or less or from May 1st to October 1st, with all  
8 the rights and privileges and subject to all the liabilities and  
9 obligations of similar corporations under the laws of the  
10 State.

Sect. 2. Said company for this purpose may take, retain,  
2 collect, use and distribute water from any springs or wells

3 that it may acquire by purchase, lease or otherwise, and may  
4 locate, construct and maintain reservoirs, dams, standpipes,  
5 gates, hydrants, pipes and all other necessary structures to  
6 conduct and distribute the same through said island in the  
7 usual manner.

Sect. 3. The place of business of said corporation shall be  
2 in Freeport, in the County of Cumberland and State of  
3 Maine.

Sect. 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized for the  
2 purpose aforesaid to lay, construct and maintain under,  
3 through, along and across the highways, ways, streets and  
4 roads in said island and to take up, replace and repair all  
5 such sluices, pipes, aqueducts, hydrants and structures as  
6 may be necessary for the purpose of its incorporation so as  
7 not to unreasonably obstruct the same and under such rea-  
8 sonable restrictions and conditions as the selectmen of said  
9 town may impose. It shall be held responsible for all dam-  
10 ages to persons or property occasioned by the use of said  
11 highways, ways, streets and roads.

Sect. 5. Said corporation shall have the power to cross  
2 any water courses, public or private, pipes of all kinds, or to  
3 change the location thereof when necessary for the purpose  
4 of its incorporation and in such manner as not to impair the  
5 use thereof. It shall be liable for any injury caused thereby.  
6 Whenever said company shall lay down any fixtures of any  
7 kind in any highway, way, street or road, it shall cause the  
8 same to be done with as little obstruction to public travel as  
9 may be practical and shall at its own expense without neces-

10 sary delay cause the earth to be replaced in proper condi-  
11 tion.

Sect. 6. Said corporation shall be held liable to pay all  
2 damages that shall be sustained by any persons for the tak-  
3 ing or crossing any land or other property or by excavating  
4 through any land for the purpose of laying down pipes,  
5 aqueducts, building reservoirs, and also damages or any  
6 other injuries resulting from said acts. If any persons sus-  
7 taining damages as aforesaid, and said corporation cannot  
8 agree mutually upon the sum to be paid therefor, either party  
9 by calling upon the County Commissioners of Cumberland  
10 County may have the damages assessed by them and subse-  
11 quent proceedings and rights of appeal shall be had in the  
12 same manner and under the same conditions, restrictions and  
13 limitations as are by law provided in cases of land taken for  
14 the location of railroads.

Sect. 7. Said corporation shall hold real and personal  
2 estate necessary and convenient for the purpose of its incor-  
3 poration.

Sect. 8. The capital stock of said corporation shall be  
2 \$5000.00, divided into shares of \$10.00 each.

Sect. 9. The first meeting of said corporation may be  
2 called by written notice served by any one of the incorpo-  
3 rators at least seven days before the day of said meeting.

Sect. 10. Whosoever shall knowingly or maliciously cor-  
2 rupt the water supply of said corporation, or in any way ren-  
3 der such water impure, or whoever may wilfully or malic-  
4 iously injure any property of said corporation, shall be pun-

5 ished by a fine not exceeding \$500.00 or by imprisonment  
6 not exceeding one year, and shall be liable to said corpora-  
7 tion for three times the actual damage to be recovered in any  
8 proper action.

Sect. 11. This act shall become null and void in four  
2 years from the time when the same takes effect, unless the  
3 corporation shall have been organized and commenced the  
4 construction of its works under this charter.

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STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Augusta, Feb. 22, 1909.

Reported by Mr. COOLIDGE from Committee on Legal Af-  
fairs and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*