

#### NEW DRAFT.

# SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 509

# STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend the Charter of the Rumford Falls Light and Water Company.

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

Section 1. Sections 2, 4 and 5 of Chapter 365 of the Pub-2 lic and Private Laws of Maine 1893 as amended by Section 3 2 of Chapter 243 of the Public and Private Laws of 1901, 4 are hereby amended as follows:

Section 2 of Chapter 243 of the Special Laws of 1901 is 2 amended by adding between the word Peru and the word in 3 in the fifth line the words 'Roxbury and Byron,' so that said 4 section as amended shall read as follows:

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'Section 2. Said corporation is hereby authorized for the 6 purposes of its organization, to take and hold, by purchase 7 or otherwise any lands or real estate necessary therefor, and 8 may enter upon and excavate through any lands when nec-9 essary for said purposes in the towns of Rumford, Mexico, 10 Peru, Roxbury and Byron in the county of Oxford, or either 11 of them. And for the purposes of its organization, said 12 corporation is hereby authorized to take water from any 13 stream, pond or river in said towns, or any one of them.'

Sections 4 and 5 of Chapter 365 of the Special Laws of 2 1893 are amended by adding between the word "Peru" and 3 the word "in," in the third line of Section 4 the words, 'Rox-4 bury and Byron.'

Also in Section 5 by adding between the word "Peru" and 6 the word "or" in the fifth line of said section, the words 7 'Roxbury and Byron,' so that said sections as amended shall 8 read as follows:

Section 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized to erect 10 and lay down in and through the streets and highways in 11 the towns of Rumford, Mexico, Peru, Roxbury and Byron, 12 in the county of Oxford, and to take up, replace and repair 13 any poles, pipes, aqueducts and fixtures which may be nec-14 essary or proper for the purposes of their organization, un-15 der such reasonable restrictions as may be imposed by the 16 selectmen of said towns, or either of them, and said cor-17 poration shall be responsible for all damages to persons and 18 property occasioned by the use of such streets and highways

19 and shall further be liable to pay to said town or towns all 20 sums recovered against said town or towns for damages for 21 obstructions caused by said corporation, and for all expenses, 22 including reasonable counsel fees, incurred in defending such 23 suits with interest on the same.

'Section 5. Said corporation is hereby authorized to make 25 contracts with other corporations, individuals, towns and 26 school districts for the purposes of supplying water, light 27 and power as contemplated by the purposes of its organiza-28 tion, and said towns of Rumford, Mexico, Peru, Roxbury 29 and Byron, or either of them, by their or its selectmen, and 30 any of said corporations by its duly authorized officers, is 31 and are hereby authorized to enter into contracts with said 32 company for the supply of water, light and power as said 33 town or towns and other corporations may agree upon, which, 34 when made, shall be legal and binding upon all parties 35 thereto.'

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Augusta, March 6, 1909. Reported by Mr. MONTGOMERY from Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.