

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 747

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to authorize the building of a dam at the outlet of
Sebec Lake.

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

Section 1. Charles J. Chase of Sebec, Walter J. Mayo of
2 Foxcroft, Wainwright Cushing of Foxcroft, Crowell C. Hall
3 of Dover, Stephen O. Brown of Dover, Theodore H. Wy-
4 man of Sebec, Francis C. Peaks of Dover, with such as-
5 sociates as they may join, are hereby authorized and em-
6 powered to build and forever maintain a dam at the outlet of
7 Sebec Lake, in the town of Sebec, in the county of Piscata-
8 quis, at the Rips, so-called, near Sebec Village, in such place

9 as shall be selected by them above the old dam in said vil-
10 lage, for the purpose of keeping more uniform the waters of
11 Sebec Lake.

Sect. 2. The dam hereby authorized is to be built of stone
2 or concrete or such other material as said associates may
3 deem best, and may be one foot higher by water level than
4 the bottom of the flood gates in the present dam as now
5 constructed, according to chapter one hundred and forty-one
6 of the Private and Special Laws of nineteen hundred and
7 three; to be provided with proper sluiceway for logs when
8 needed and gates of sufficient capacity to allow the water
9 in said lake to flow therefrom when needed for manufactur-
10 ing purposes; said dam to be so constructed as to raise the
11 outlet of said lake, keeping more uniform the waters in said
12 lake during the summer season when not needed for manu-
13 facturing purposes, but so managed and controlled in so clos-
14 ing said sluice—or passage-way and gates, and in holding the
15 waters in said lake after its construction, so as to give
16 riparian proprietors and mill owners on Sebec River, below
17 said stone dam, a flow of water from said lake when needed
18 for manufacturing purposes. And nothing in this act shall
19 be construed to give the right to hold a head of water to
20 propel machinery on said dam, or when the same is required
21 for manufacturing purposes. And they shall further have
22 the right to remove rocks from the channel in said lake

23 above said dam hereby authorized, and may take land and
24 material for building said dam and if the parties owning such
25 land and materials cannot agree upon the damages therefor,
26 then said damages shall be assessed by the county commis-
27 sioners for Piscataquis County, as provided by law in case
28 of taking land for public highways. Provided, however,
29 that if the Sebec Dam Company shall repair their dam be-
30 fore July 1, 1909, and said repairs shall be approved by the
31 county commissioners of Piscataquis County, and shall keep
32 said dam in repair to the satisfaction of said commissioners,
33 and provided that the Sebec Dam Company shall keep the
34 water in Sebec Lake at or above the level required in their
35 charter except in cases of emergency when it may be lowered
36 on express authority of the county commissioners of Piscata-
37 quis County, then this charter shall be void, otherwise it shall
38 be in full force and effect.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 22, 1909.

Reported by Mr. BIGNEY from Committee on Interior Waters and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*