

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 796

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 I. Charles J. Chase of Sebec, Walter J. Mayo of 2 Foxcroft, Wainwright Cushing of Foxcroft, Crowell C. 3 Hall of Dover, Stephen O. Brown of Dover, Theodore H. 4 Wyman of Sebec, Francis C. Peaks of Dover, with such 5 associates as they may join, are hereby authorized and em-6 powered to build and forever maintain a dam at the outlet 7 of Sebec Lake, so called, near Sebec Village, in such place 8 as shall be selected by them above the old dam in said vil-9 lage, for the purpose of keeping more uniform the waters 10 of Sebec Lake.

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The dam hereby authorized is to be built of Sect. 2. 2 stone or concrete, or such other material as said associates 3 may deem best, and may be one foot higher by water level 4 than the bottom of the flood gates in the present dam, as now 5 constructed, according to chapter one hundred and forty-6 one of the private and special laws of the year nineteen 7 hundred and three, to be provided with sluiceway of suffi-8 cient size to sluice logs, and gates sufficient in number and 9 size for the water to flow from said lake for manufacturing 10 and creating power for such purposes as power may be re-Said dam is to be so constructed as to keep the 11 quired. 12 waters in said lake more uniform as provided in said chap-13 ter one hundred and forty-one, when not required for the 14 purposes hereinbefore set out, but so managed and controlled 15 in closing said sluiceway and gates, and in holding the wa-16 ters in said lake, after the construction of said dam, as to 17 give riparian proprietors and mill owners on Sebec River 18 below said stone dam the water from said lake as hereinbe-10 fore set out.

Nothing in this act shall be construed to give the right to 21 hold on said dam said water to create power for any pur-22 pose or to hold the water when required for any of the pur-23 poses hereinbefore set out. Said incorporators and their 24 successors shall have the right to remove the rocks in the 25 channel of said lake above the dam hereby authorized, and 26 may take land and materials for building said dam, and if 27 the parties owning said land and materials cannot agree

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28 upon the damages therefor, then said damages shall be as-29 sessed by the county commissioners for Piscataquis County, 30 as provided by law in case of taking land for public high-31 ways.

Provided, however, if the Sebec Dam Company shall re-33 pair its dam before August first, nineteen hundred nine, and 34 said repairs shall be approved by the county commissioners 35 of Piscataquis County, and provided said Sebec Dam Com-36 pany shall keep the water in Sebec Lake in accordance with 37 said chapter one hundred and forty-one, then this charter 38 shall be void; otherwise it shall be in full force and effect.

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House of Representatives,

Augusta, March 26, 1909.

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

E. M. THOMPSON. Clerk.