

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 400

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*House of Representatives, Mar. 2, 1911.*

*Reported by Mr. Skehan from Committee on Railroads and  
Expresses and ordered printed under joint rules.*

*C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT in relation to the Belfast and Liberty Electric Railroad  
Company.

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

Section 1. The organization of the Belfast and Liberty  
2 Electric Railroad Company, a corporation established by  
3 chapter three hundred and forty-one of the Private and  
4 Special Laws of the State of Maine, for the year nineteen  
5 hundred and nine, as now existing, is hereby ratified and  
6 confirmed, and all rights, powers and privileges, conferred  
7 by said chapter three hundred and forty-one are hereby vest-  
8 ed in said corporation, and the further period of two years  
9 from the date when this act takes effect, is hereby granted

10 said corporation in which to commence actual business un-  
11 der its charter.

Sect. 2. Said corporation, the Belfast and Liberty Electric  
2 Railroad Company, is hereby authorized and permitted by a  
3 vote of its stockholders representing a majority of the stock  
4 issued, to increase its capital stock to any amount not ex-  
5 ceeding one million dollars.

Sect. 3. Said corporation, the Belfast and Liberty Electric  
2 Railroad Company, is hereby granted the further right to  
3 build, equip, maintain and operate an extension of its road  
4 through the towns of Palermo, in the county of Waldo, and  
5 the towns of China, Vassalboro, Windsor and Augusta in  
6 the county of Kennebec, with like privileges respectively in  
7 each of said towns, and subject to like restrictions in each  
8 of said towns as provided by said chapter three hundred  
9 forty-one for the construction of its line through the towns  
10 specified in said chapter, and with the further right to make,  
11 generate, sell, distribute and supply electricity in the towns  
12 of Morrill, Searsmont, Belmont, Montville, Freedom, Lib-  
13 erty, Monroe, Brooks, Palermo, China, Windsor, Knox,  
14 Waldo and Appleton.

For the purpose of constructing and establishing its plant  
16 or plants, and the maintenance thereof, including its power  
17 and transforming stations and pole lines, and for any or all  
18 of the purposes of its incorporation, said corporation is au-  
19 thorized to take any land as for public uses. When said  
20 corporation finds it necessary for its uses and purposes to

21 take land, it shall file in the office of the county commission-  
22 ers of the county where the land so taken is situated plans  
23 and descriptions thereof. No entry shall be made on any  
24 lands owned by other persons, except to make surveys, un-  
25 til the expiration of ten days from said filing, and with such  
26 plans and descriptions said company may file a statement  
27 of the damages it is willing to pay to the owner for the land  
28 so taken. If the amount finally awarded does not exceed  
29 that sum, the company shall recover costs against such own-  
30 er; otherwise such owner shall recover costs against said  
31 company. Said company shall be held liable to pay all dam-  
32 ages that shall be sustained by any person by reason of the  
33 taking of such land; and if any person sustaining damage  
34 as aforesaid shall not agree with said company upon the sum  
35 to be paid therefor, either party, on petition of the county  
36 commissioners of the county where the land so taken is sit-  
37 uated, within six months after said plans and descriptions are  
38 filed, may have the damages assessed by them; and subse-  
39 quent proceedings and the right of appeal therein shall be  
40 had in the same manner and under the same conditions, re-  
41 strictions and limitations as are by law prescribed in the  
42 case of damages by the laying out of highways. Failure to  
43 apply for damages within said period of six months shall be  
44 held to be a waiver of the same.

Sect. 4. Said corporation is hereby authorized to acquire  
2 by purchase, capital stock, plants, property, franchises,  
3 rights, privileges and locations of any corporation, associa-

tion or individual engaged in the business of making, generating, selling, distributing and supplying gas or electricity for heat, light or power in any city or town in which said corporation is or may be authorized to carry on its said business. And such other corporation, association or individual is hereby authorized to sell and convey to said Belfast and Liberty Electric Railroad Company, as aforesaid, and after the acquisition of any such franchise or property the said Belfast and Liberty Railroad Company shall have, hold, enjoy and exercise the same for its own uses and purposes as though originally granted to it.

Sect. 5. The name of said corporation is hereby changed to Belfast and Augusta Electric Railroad Company.