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STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT relating to corporations.

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

Section 1. The secretary of state shall prepare a list of 2 all corporations, giving the corporate name, the name of 3 the treasurer last filed in the office of the secretary of state. 4 and the amount of the annual franchise tax due for the 5 year nineteen hundred and nine, except those which have 6 been duly excused as provided by Statute or dissolved by 7 decree of court, which have not paid their franchise tax 8 for the year nineteen hundred and nine, which list shall be 9 published three times for three consecutive weeks in the 10 month of August, nineteen hundred and eleven, in three 11 places within the State of Maine, namely, Bangor, Water-12 ville and Portland, in such newspaper in each place as the

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13 secretary of state may select. The charter of any corpora-14 tion so advertised which shall fail to pay said franchise 15 tax, and the expenses of advertising the same on or before 16 the first day of December, in the year of our Lord, nineteen 17 hundred and eleven, shall be suspended, and such corpora-18 tion shall have no right to use the same. A charter so sus-19 pended may be revived by payment of all franchise taxes 20 and expenses of advertising as aforesaid due from the cor-21 poration at the time of such payment. Any corporation 22 where the charter shall have become suspended as afore-23 said, shall continue liable for its yearly franchise tax, but 24 while its charter is suspended as aforesaid, no notice relat-25 ing to said franchise tax need be sent to the corporation by 26 any state officer. The data covering the avoiding of said char-27 ter, to wit: The fact of the publication of the same and the 28 dates thereof, and the avoidance of said charter by reason 29 of such publication, and the failure to pay said overdue fran-30 chise tax as herein provided, shall be so entered upon the 31 corporation records of the state and be certified by the sec-32 retary of state as evidence of the suspension of the charter 33 of such corporation. That the sum of nine hundred dollars 34 be and hereby is appropriated to pay the expense thereof.

Sect. 2. Any person or persons who shall undertake to do 2 business, or do business of any kind in behalf of any such 3 corporation, or shall hold out such corporation as doing 4 business, or shall sell, transfer or put upon the market any 5 stocks or other evidence of indebtedness whatsoever of any 6 such corporation while the charter remains suspended as 7 herein provided, shall be subject to a fine of three hundred 8 dollars for the benefit of the state.