

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 15

In House of Representatives, Jan. 27, 1915.

Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on Towns.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Maxwell of Boothbay Harbor.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to divide the town of Bristol and to incorporate the
town of South Bristol.

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

Section 1. All that portion of the town of Bristol lying
2 within the following limits, to wit:

Beginning at the head of the eastern cove of Johns river;
4 thence running northerly in a direct line to an oak tree
5 standing on the north line of land formerly of William
6 Prentess and on the easterly line of the road leading from
7 Damariscotta to South Bristol; thence running westerly by
8 the north line of land formerly of said William Prentess
9 to the center of the principal channel of Damariscotta river;

10 thence southerly by the center of the channel of said river
11 to the point south of Thrumbcap Island; thence easterly and
12 northerly around said island to Johns Bay; thence northerly
13 by the center of the principal channel of Johns Bay, Johns
14 River and the eastern cove of said river to the head of the
15 eastern cove at point of beginning, together with all the in-
16 habitants thereof, is incorporated into a separate town by
17 the name of South Bristol, and said town of South Bristol
18 is hereby invested with all the powers and privileges and
19 subject to all the duties and obligations incident to other
20 towns of the state.

Sect. 2. The several inhabitants of the town of South
2 Bristol shall be holden to pay all taxes which have been
3 legally assessed upon them by the town of Bristol, and the
4 collectors of taxes for said town of Bristol are hereby au-
5 thorized and required to collect and pay all taxes already
6 to them committed according to their respective warrants.
7 All moneys now in the treasury of the town of Bristol and
8 all sums which shall hereafter be received from taxes there-
9 tofore assessed shall be applied to the several purposes for
10 which they were received, and the town officers of the town
11 of Bristol shall have the same powers, and perform the
12 same duties, as they now have and perform, within the
13 limits of the town of South Bristol, until the organization
14 of said town of South Bristol by the choice of like town
15 officers.

Sect. 3. The existing liabilities and obligations of the
2 town of Bristol shall be divided as follows: The town
3 debt, if any, and the state and county tax to be assessed
4 against the town of Bristol for 1915 and 1916, if no state
5 tax is assessed against the town of South Bristol, shall be
6 borne by said towns in proportion to the valuation of their
7 respective territories as taken by the assessors in April,
8 1914.

Sect. 4. All paupers supported and aided by the town of
2 Bristol and all persons that may hereafter fall into distress
3 or become paupers, shall, after this act becomes effective, be
4 maintained and supported by the town in whose territory
5 they resided when they became paupers and in whose terri-
6 tory their settlement may be established under the laws of
7 this state.

Sect. 5. Each town shall hereafter bear all expenses of
2 the care and maintenance of all schools, roads and bridges
3 within its respective limits.

Sect. 6. All the property now belonging to the town of
2 Bristol, including town hall, school houses and school books,
3 shall be held and owned by the town within whose territory
4 said property is located. All town books, papers, and rec-
5 ords shall be retained by said town of Bristol and both of
6 said towns shall hereafter have free access to the same.

Sect. 7. Until a new apportionment of the State is made
2 for the choice of representative to the Legislature, said

3 towns shall both remain in the same representative district
4 with which said town of Bristol is now classed.

Sect. 8. Any Justice of the Peace in the County of Lin-
2coln may issue his warrant to any legal voter in the town
3 of South Bristol directing him to notify the citizens thereof
4 to meet at a time and place specified in said warrant, giving
5 at least seven days' notice thereof, for the choice of town
6 officers and to transact any other business that towns are
7 authorized to transact.