

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE NO. 615

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*House of Representatives, March 10, 1915.*

*Reported by Mr. Campbell from Committee on Judiciary,  
and ordered printed under joint rules.*

*FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Clerk Pro Tem.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to change the name of the Maine Baptist Missionary  
Convention and to unite with it the Maine Baptist Education  
Society and the Maine Baptist Charitable Society.

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

Section 1. The name of the Maine Baptist Missionary  
2 Convention is hereby changed to the United Baptist Con-  
3 vention of Maine, and the members of the Maine Baptist  
4 Education Society incorporated under the provisions of  
5 chapter 349 of the private and special laws of 1846, ap-  
6 proved July 20, 1846, and the members of the Maine Bap-  
7 tist Charitable Society incorporated May 8, 1876, are hereby  
8 constituted members of said United Baptist Convention of  
9 Maine, and all property, powers, franchises and privileges

10 granted or acquired under the authority of the respective  
11 acts incorporating or organizing either and all of said bodies  
12 or organizations or otherwise, shall be held and enjoyed by  
13 said United Baptist Convention of Maine in as full and  
14 ample a manner as the same were held and enjoyed by  
15 either and all of said original bodies corporate and organ-  
16 izations.

Sect. 2. Said United Baptist Convention of Maine shall  
2 be subject to all the duties and liabilities of all and each of  
3 said original bodies, and the general laws of this state to  
4 the same extent that said original bodies would have been  
5 if this act had not been passed, and all the rights of each  
6 and all of said bodies shall attach thereto.

Sect. 3. All acts of said United Baptist Convention of  
2 Maine and of each of said corporations and bodies com-  
3 posing the same, in whatever relates to the union thereof,  
4 are hereby confirmed and rendered valid and effectual.

Sect. 4. The Maine Free Baptist Association, incorpo-  
2 rated under the provisions of chapter 448 of the private and  
3 special laws of 1889, is hereby authorized and empowered  
4 to transfer and deliver to the said United Baptist Conven-  
5 tion of Maine all its real and personal property and estate  
6 which can properly and legally be administered by said  
7 United Baptist Convention of Maine and all its powers,  
8 privileges, rights and immunities, to be held and used by  
9 said United Baptist Convention of Maine for the purposes

10 for which said property was used by said Maine Free Bap-  
11 tist Association.

Sect. 5. All the property held by the said Maine Free  
2 Baptist Association, and all gifts, bequests, devises and con-  
3 veyances of property heretofore made to said association,  
4 or which may hereafter be made to it, which can properly  
5 and legally be administered by said United Baptist Con-  
6 vention of Maine, shall be held and used by the said United  
7 Baptist Convention of Maine for the purposes designated in  
8 the making of the several gifts, bequests, devises and con-  
9 veyances and shall be subject to all the conditions, limita-  
10 tions and uses contained in the several gifts, bequests, de-  
11 vises and conveyances to said association.

Sect. 6. If at the time of the transfer and delivery from  
2 said Maine Free Baptist Association of its real and per-  
3 sonal property and estate to the said United Baptist Con-  
4 vention of Maine, or at any other time, the said association  
5 shall hold any property, gifts, bequests or devises, which  
6 are not transferable, said association shall continue to hold  
7 and use all property thus held for the purposes designated  
8 in making of the gifts, bequests, devises and conveyances  
9 of property thus held.

Sect. 7. Said United Baptist Convention of Maine shall  
2 provide in its constitution that all those persons who are  
3 members of the Maine Free Baptist Association, shall be  
4 members of said United Baptist Convention of Maine.

Sect. 8. Said United Baptist Convention of Maine is hereby made capable in law of receiving any grants or devises of land as tenants in fee simple or for a less estate and also any donations or bequests in money or other personal estate which may have been made or which may hereafter be made by any person or persons whatever to either of said corporations or bodies by its original name or otherwise, prior to a time when this act shall take effect, and to use and improve the same for the uses and purposes of this corporation. And each of said corporations is authorized and empowered to convey and deliver all and every of its property to said United Baptist Convention of Maine.

Sect. 9. Said corporation is authorized to take, hold, receive and possess real or personal estate to an amount not exceeding one million dollars upon a full valuation.

Sect. 10. All acts and parts of acts of incorporation or amendments inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sect. 11. All of the corporations and organizations to be united shall continue their present organizations until this act shall have been accepted by each at a legal meeting. If so accepted the first meeting of the new corporation shall be held at the meeting house of the First Baptist church in Waterville on the seventh (7) day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifteen at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, at which meeting the president and secretary of the Maine Baptist Mission-

10 ary Convention shall officiate as president and secretary of  
11 the new corporation until a president and secretary shall be  
12 chosen in their stead, after which the new corporation may  
13 choose all other proper officers and exercise all the powers  
14 conferred upon it by law and this act.