

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 928

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STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Authorize the Maine Water Company to Take
Water from Certain Lakes in Washington County.

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

Section 1. The Maine Water Company, for the purposes
2 of its incorporation, is hereby authorized to divert and use
3 water from East Magurrewock or West Magurrewock
4 Lakes, or both, in Washington County.

Sect. 2. Said company, for the purposes of its incorpora-
2 tion, is hereby authorized to take and hold by purchase, or
3 by the exercise of the right of eminent domain, which right
4 is hereby expressly conferred upon said company, any land

5 or interest therein or water rights necessary for dams, for
6 flowage, for power for pumping its water supply through its
7 mains, for reservoirs, for preserving the purity of the wa-
8 ter and watershed and for laying and maintaining aqueducts
9 and other structures for taking, distributing, discharging
10 and disposing of water.

Sect. 3. Said company is hereby authorized to lay in and
2 through such streets and highways and across such private
3 lands, and to repair and replace, all such pipes, aqueducts
4 and fixtures as may be necessary and convenient for its
5 corporate purposes, and whenever said company shall lay
6 any pipes or aqueducts in any street or highway it shall
7 cause the same to be done with as little obstruction as pos-
8 sible to the public travel and shall, at its own expense with-
9 out unnecessary delay, cause the earth removed by it to be
10 replaced in proper condition.

Sect. 4. In exercising the right of eminent domain hereby
2 conferred said company shall file in the office of the County
3 Commissioners of Washington and record in the Registry
4 of Deeds in said County, plans of the location of all lands
5 or interests therein or water rights, to be taken, with an
6 appropriate description and names of the owners thereof.
7 No entry shall be made on any private lands, except to
8 make surveys, until the expiration of ten days from such
9 filing, whereon possession may be had of all said lands or
10 interests thereon or water rights so taken, but title thereto
11 shall not vest in said company until payment therefor.

Sect. 5. If any person, sustaining damages by any taking
2 as aforesaid, shall not agree with said company upon the
3 sum to be paid therefor, either party, upon petition to the
4 County Commissioners of Washington County, may have
5 said damages assessed by them; the procedure and all sub-
6 sequent proceedings and right of appeal thereon shall be
7 had under the same restrictions, conditions and limitations
8 as are by law prescribed, from time to time, in the case of
9 damages by the laying out of highways.

Sect. 6. All rights and privileges conferred by this act
2 upon the Maine Water Company may be assumed and exer-
3 cised by said company in common with any other corpora-
4 tion created by the laws of this State upon such terms and
5 conditions as may be agreed upon between them. The said
6 Maine Water Company is further authorized to obtain wa-
7 ter for the purposes of its incorporation by contract with
8 any corporation, partnership or individual and to furnish
9 and supply water to any other corporation located in this
10 State or in the Dominion of Canada for public or private
11 uses.