

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 22

House of Representatives, Jan. 24, 1917.

Referred to committee on Public Utilities, one thousand copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Allan of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT additional to Chapter 433 of the Private and Special
Laws of 1907, entitled AN ACT to Incorporate the Portland
Water District.

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

Section 1. The Portland Water District is hereby
2 authorized to supply Sebago water for domestic, sanitary
3 and municipal purposes to the inhabitants and the towns of
4 Falmouth and Cumberland and to the forts and inhabitants
5 on the islands in Casco Bay in Cumberland County, lying and
6 being in the territorial limits of the towns wherein the said
7 district is authorized to supply water, and also to any public

8 utility now supplying water in said county, provided that
9 said district shall not without the consent of the Public
10 Utilities Commission supply water in any section of said
11 territory where another corporation, person or association is
12 furnishing water under a franchise from the state.

Sect. 2. All rights, powers and privileges granted the
2 Portland Water District by Chapter 433 of the Private and
3 Special Laws of Maine of 1907, are hereby granted and
4 extended throughout the aforesaid territory, to be exercised
5 therein in accordance with the provisions of said Chapter
6 433. Said district is also especially authorized under said
7 provisions to extend its pipes, aqueducts and fixtures
8 throughout the aforesaid territory under and beneath any of
9 the waters of Casco Bay or its tributaries.

Sect. 3. Subject to the consent of the Public Utilities
2 Commission, the said district is hereby authorized to acquire
3 by purchase the entire capital stock, plants, property and
4 franchises, rights and privileges of the Foreside Water
5 Company and the Gorham Water Company or of any other
6 public utility supplying water in the territory in which said
7 district is authorized to supply water; and any such utility is
8 hereby authorized with the consent of the Public Utilities
9 Commission to transfer its properties, rights and franchises
10 to said district.

Sect. 4. Said district shall continue to supply water under
2 the provisions of said Chapter 433 as heretofore, and the
3 rates for the water so supplied shall be uniform within the

4 territory supplied by the district wherever the installation
5 and maintenance of mains and the cost of service is sub-
6 stantially uniform, but nothing in said Chapter 433 or in this
7 Act shall preclude said district, with the approval of the
8 Public Utilities Commission, from establishing higher rates
9 than the regular rates in sections where, for any reason, the
10 cost of construction and maintenance or the cost of the
11 service exceeds the average, but such higher rates shall be
12 uniform throughout the section where they apply.