

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

NO. 31

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*In Senate, Jan. 24, 1917.*

*Referred to Committee on Public Utilities and one thousand copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.*

*W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.*

*Presented by Mr. Lord of York.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to Enlarge the Powers of the Western Maine Power  
Company.

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

Section 1. The Western Maine Power Company, formerly the Limerick Water and Electric Company, a corporation created and existing by virtue of chapter one hundred fifty-nine of the Private and Special Laws of 1907 and acts amendatory thereof and additional thereto, is hereby authorized and empowered to extend its lines and furnish its service in any territory within the State of Maine ad-

8 jacent to any of the towns named in its act of incorpo-  
9 ration and acts amendatory thereof and additional thereto,  
10 provided that it shall not extend its lines into any such  
11 adjacent towns in which any other public utility is engaged  
12 in selling and distributing electricity, without the consent  
13 of such public utility or of the Public Utilities Commission  
14 of the State of Maine.

Sect. 2. Said corporation is authorized and empowered  
2 to purchase for cash, or by exchange of its stock, securi-  
3 ties or property, own and hold the stocks, bonds or de-  
4 bentures of any public utility doing business in the coun-  
5 ties of York, Oxford or Cumberland, subject to the ap-  
6 proval of the Public Utilities Commission of the State of  
7 Maine.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is authorized and empowered  
2 to acquire by purchase, lease, merger or consolidation, and  
3 to exercise and enjoy after such purchase, lease, merger or  
4 consolidation any or all of the rights, privileges, franchises  
5 and property of any public utility organized for similar  
6 purposes and doing business in the counties of York, Cum-  
7 berland or Oxford or in any municipality adjacent to any  
8 of the towns named in its act of incorporation or acts  
9 amendatory thereof or additional thereto, within the State  
10 of Maine with which its wires may be connected to form  
11 a continuous system, upon such terms and conditions as  
12 may be agreed upon by the said corporation and such other  
13 public utility; and said other public utilities are hereby au-

14 thorized and empowered to lease, sell and convey their re-  
15 spective rights, privileges, franchises and properties to the  
16 said Western Maine Power Company or to merge or con-  
17 solidate with the said company, provided that any such sale,  
18 lease, merger or consolidation shall be approved by the  
19 Public Utilities Commission of the State of Maine.