

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

NO. 92

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*In Senate, Feb. 2, 1917.*

*Referred to Committee on Railroads and Expresses and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.*

*W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.*

*Presented by Mr. Swift of Kennebec.*

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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 provide for the use of existing side tracks of railroad companies and for the building for use by such companies of additional side tracks.

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

Section 1. Upon application of any interested party and  
2 upon notice and hearing thereon, the Public Utilities Com-  
3 mission shall have authority to require any railroad company  
4 or street railroad company (as defined in Chapter 55 of the  
5 Revised Statutes) to permit any person, firm or corporation  
6 to have use of any existing side track belonging to any such  
7 street railroad company or railroad company for the purpose

8 of loading thereon into freight cars any commodity which  
9 such interested party desires to ship over the lines of any  
10 such street railroad company or railroad company and for  
11 the unloading from any cars standing thereon any com-  
12 modity which has been consigned to any such interested  
13 party. Said commission shall not have authority to issue any  
14 order requiring any of the foregoing unless such use of such  
15 side track is practicable and the same may be accomplished  
16 without endangering the equipment, tracks, appliances of  
17 traffic of such street railroad company or railroad company.

Sect. 2. Upon application of any interested party and  
2 notice and hearing thereon, said Public Utilities Commission  
3 shall have authority to require any street railroad company  
4 or railroad company to build any side track from any part  
5 of its line to the premises of any such party so applying, pro-  
6 vided such party pays the entire expense of building any such  
7 side track and assumes the expense of its future main-  
8 tenance. Said commission shall make in its order provisions  
9 for the safe use and maintenance of such side track, and  
10 may modify the same from time to time, either on petition or  
11 on its own motion.

Sect. 3. Said commission shall have authority to require  
2 any such street railroad company or railroad company to  
3 place upon any siding mentioned in either of the preceding  
4 sections, empty cars for loading and loaded cars for dis-  
5 charge under such reasonable rules and regulations as said

6 commission may make, and all requirements or orders under  
7 any section hereof shall be final and binding until further  
8 order of the commission or until modified, reversed or  
9 revised by a court having jurisdiction.