

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT

SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 263

In Senate, March 27, 1919.

Reported by Mr. Grant from Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

P. F. CRANE, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Acquire the Property of the Peoples Ferry Company and to Provide for the Operation by the State of a Ferry between Bath and Woolwich on the Kennebec River.

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

Section 1. The directors of the Peoples Ferry Company, 2 a corporation organized under the laws of this state, are 3 hereby authorized to sell, convey and transfer to the state 4 all of the franchises, real estate and goods and chattels of 5 said corporation and the governor and council are author- 6 ized and instructed, in behalf of the state, to purchase said 7 franchises, real estate and goods and chattels on or after

8 the first day of October, nineteen hundred and nineteen,
9 and to pay therefor the sum of ten thousand dollars from
10 any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sect. 2. As soon as said purchase and transfer is com-
2 pleted the maintenance and operation of a public ferry be-
3 tween Bath and Woolwich on the Kennebec river shall be
4 assumed and continued by the state and shall be under the
5 general control, management and direction of the state
6 highway commission, except that the public utilities com-
7 mission shall have the same jurisdiction over the ferry ser-
8 vice maintained by the state, in the matter of rates and fa-
9 cilities, as it has in the case of other public utilities under
10 the provisions of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes
11 as amended.

Sect. 3. The state highway commission, with the ap-
2 proval of the governor and council, may procure a new
3 ferry boat and such other property and equipment as may
4 be necessary to make the ferry service maintained by the
5 state adequate and convenient at all times and all expense
6 incurred thereby, or to meet any deficit in the operation of
7 such ferry service, shall be defrayed from any funds avail-
8 able for the construction or maintenance of highways, the
9 expenditure of which is not otherwise restricted or limited
10 by law, or from any moneys in the treasury not otherwise
11 appropriated. All powers necessary or incidental to carry-
12 ing out the provisions of this act are hereby conferred upon
13 said commission.

Sect. 4. The highway commission shall keep and render
2 to the public utilities commission detailed accounts of all
3 business transacted under the provisions of this act, in ac-
4 cordance with the requirement of section seventeen of chap-
5 ter fifty-five of the revised statutes, and shall also publish
6 an abstract or summary thereof in its annual report.