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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

HOUSE NO. 56

House of Representatives, Feb. 7, 1923.

Referred to Committee on Towns and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Rowell of South Thomaston.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THREE

AN ACT to Divide and Set Off a Certain Part of the Town of Owl's Head and Annex the Same to the Town of South Thomaston.

Whereas, the annual town meetings of the towns of South Thomaston and Owl's Head take place in March, and the close of the fiscal year of said towns is the last day of February, and it will be incumbent on the newly elected assessors of the two towns affected by the following act to assess the valuations of their respective towns commencing April 1st, and by the following act certain valuable property is transferred from Owl's Head to South Thomaston,

And whereas, notice of intention of this act, as affecting the

rights of a town, have been duly and legally given as required by statute,

And whereas, these facts render the passage of this act immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, peace and safety, and constitute an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of the state of Maine, now, therefore,

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

Section I. That the territory hereinafter described and 2 now located in said town of Owl's Head be divided from 3 and set off from said town and annexed to and made a part 4 of the town of South Thomaston, together with Ash island, 5 and Spaulding's island, so called, now in the town of Owl's 6 Head.

Said mainland territory is bounded and lies within the fol-2 lowing described line, to wit:

Beginning at a granite post where the lines of the towns 2 of Owl's Head, Thomaston, South Thomaston, and the city 3 of Rockland intersect, near the upper marsh bridge, so 4 called; thence generally in an easterly direction along the 5 southerly line of the city of Rockland to the shore of Rock-6 land harbor; thence southerly along the shore to the east-7 erly side of the Head-of-the-Bay bridge, so called; thence 8 along the easterly side of the highway to the northeasterly 9 corner of the farm of George B. Hix; thence along the 10 easterly and southerly lines of said farm to the Henderson 11 farm; thence generally southerly along the line of said 12 Henderson farm to the land of Charles Livingston; thence

13 along the line of said Hix farm to the southeast corner of 14 the land of Ralph Philbrook; thence along the southerly 15 line of said Philbrook's land to the southeast corner of the 16 land of Walter Martin; thence in a southerly direction in 17 a straight line to the southeasterly corner of the lot for-18 merly known as the Hezekiah Batchelder, or Hayden lot, 19 now known as the Witham lot, on the Ash Point road; 20 thence in an easterly direction along the northerly side of 21 the road leading from South Thomaston to Ash Point, to 22 Crockett's Corner, so called; thence along the northerly line 23 of Crockett's land to the shore at Crockett's Point; thence 24 generally in a southerly direction along the shore to a point 25 intersecting the boundary line of Owl's Head and South 26 Thomaston; thence northwesterly along said boundary line 27 to the place of beginning.

The inhabitants of said territory to be citizens of the town 2 of South Thomaston and invested with all the rights, pow-3 ers and privileges and subject to all the duties and obligations of citizens of said town.

Sect. 2. The several inhabitants of the territory set off 2 from Owl's Head and annexed to South Thomaston by 3 this act shall be holden to pay all taxes which have been 4 legally assessed upon them April first, nineteen hundred 5 twenty-two, and thereafter by the assessors of Owl's Head 6 and now remain unpaid, to the collector of taxes of the 7 town of South Thomaston, and by the treasurer of the 8 town of South Thomaston to be applied to the debts of

9 South Thomaston as augmented by this act; and all the 10 taxes legally assessed by the assessors of the original town 11 of South Thomaston prior to April, nineteen hundred twen-12 ty-two, also to the collector of taxes of South Thomaston 13 to be applied by the treasurer of South Thomaston in the 14 same manner.

Sect. 3. The town of South Thomaston shall assume a 2 proportional part of the indebtedness of Owl's Head as 3 found to exist the date this act becomes effective, accord-4 ing to the valuation of all property set off from Owl's Head 5 and annexed to South Thomaston, as taken by the assessors 6 of the original town of South Thomaston in April, nineteen 7 hundred twenty, and as proportioned to the valuation of 8 the remainder of Owl's Head as taken at the same time 9 by the same assessors.

Sect. 4. The town of South Thomaston shall have a proportional part of any moneys remaining in the treasury of 3 Owl's Head representing the unexpended balances at the 4 close of the fiscal year, February twenty-eighth, nineteen 5 hundred twenty-three, and a proportional part of any 6 moneys due Owl's Head to that date hereinafter paid 7 and not applied to the debts of Owl's Head previous to 8 the devision of debt as specified in section two of this act, 9 except moneys due for taxes, according to the valuation 10 as assessed in nineteen hundred twenty.

Sect. 5. All paupers residing within the limits of the ter-2 ritory set off from Owl's Head and annexed to South

- 3 Thomaston when they became paupers, shall be supported
- 4 and maintained by the town of South Thomaston from the
- 5 date this act becomes effective.
- Sect. 6. All roads and bridges included within the limits
- 2 of said territory shall be maintained by the town of South
- 3 Thomaston from the date this act becomes effective.
- Sect. 7. All real and personal property now owned by
- 2 the town of Owl's Head located within the limits of the
- 3 territory set off from Owl's Head and annexed to South
- 4 Thomaston by this act shall become forthwith the property
- 5 of the town of South Thomaston without further compen-
- 6 sation therefor.
- Sect. 8. In view of the emergency recited in the pre-
- 2 amble, this act shall take effect when approved.