

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 163

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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Additional to Chapter Four Hundred and Thirty-
three of the Private and Special Laws of 1907, Entitled "An
Act to Incorporate the Portland Water District," and to
Limit and Define the Powers of the Trustees of Said Port-
land Water District in Certain Things.

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

Section 1. The trustees of the Portland water district
2 shall have no power to enlarge or diminish the bounds of
3 the Portland water district, or to supply any new territory
4 with water in addition to territory which they have already
5 by legal and binding contracts agreed to supply, unless
6 such authority be given them by a vote of the legal voters

7 of said Portland water district at a regular or special elec-
8 tion, at which such authority is given them by a majority
9 vote of those voting upon such question.

Sect. 2. The trustees of the Portland water district shall
2 not bargain for or purchase the rights, stock, property or
3 franchises of any person, corporation or company which
4 exists for the purpose of supplying water, where such pur-
5 chase will involve the expenditure of over two thousand
6 dollars, (\$2,000) unless the authority is granted by a
7 majority vote of the legal voters of said Portland water
8 district voting at a regular or special election at which such
9 question is submitted to them.

Sect. 3. Upon notification by the trustees of the Portland
2 water district that they desire an expression of the legal
3 voters of said district on some matter such as is contem-
4 plated in section one or section two of this act, the mu-
5 nicipal officers of the cities of Portland and South Portland,
6 composing said water district shall issue the call for such
7 purpose, such call to be issued in the same manner, and the
8 election or voting to be in charge of the same officials, and
9 conducted in the same way that regular or special elections
10 for the election of trustees are conducted.

Sect. 4. Nothing in this act shall be construed as limiting
2 the power of the trustees of the Portland water district in
3 extensions and operations within the limits of said district,
4 but said trustees shall have no power to undertake new
5 enterprises or make agreements to supply communities not

6 now being supplied with water by said district, either in
7 the town of Standish, Windham, Cape Elizabeth, Gorham,
8 Scarboro, or any other town, or in islands in Casco bay
9 unless the annual income from such extension shall amount
10 to ten per cent of the cost thereof, except that they may
11 purchase the property, rights and franchises of the com-
12 pany now supplying the people at Scarboro beach with
13 water, under the restriction mentioned in section two of
14 this act.

Sect. 5. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this
2 act are hereby repealed.