

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 70

In Senate, Feb. 9, 1923.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

L. ERNEST THORNTON, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Cram of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section Fifty-one of Chapter Fifty-one of
the Revised Statutes Relating to Change of Name of a
Corporation.

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

Section fifty-one of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes
2 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words
3 'a certificate of the change of name of a corporation shall
4 be filed by the clerk of the corporation in the registry of
5 deeds of the county, in which the corporation has its loca-
6 tion, within twenty days after the proceedings of the meet-
7 ing are returned to the office of the secretary of state,' so
8 that said section as amended shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 51. Name may be changed and effect thereof; certified copy of vote to be filed. R. S. c. 47, Sec. 47. 1909, c. 61, Sec. 1. A corporation, at a legal meeting of its stockholders, may vote to change its name and adopt a new one; and when the proceedings of such meeting relating to such change of name, certified by the clerk thereof, are returned to the office of the secretary of state to be recorded by him, the name shall be deemed changed; and the corporation, under its new name, has the same rights, powers and privileges, and is subject to the same duties, obligations and liabilities as before, and may sue and be sued by its new name; but no action brought against it by its former name, shall be defeated on that account, but on motion of either party, the new name may be substituted therefor in the action; provided, that whenever any corporation, required by law to make returns to any official or department of the state, shall change its name under the general laws of the state, or under any special act of the legislature, such change shall not take effect and such new name shall not be used until said corporation shall have filed with said official or said department a certified copy of the vote of the corporation relative thereto. A certificate of the change of name of a corporation shall be filed by the clerk of the corporation in the registry of deeds of the county, in which the corporation has its location, within twenty days after the proceedings of the meeting are returned to the office of the secretary of state.