

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

H. P. No. 710

H. D. No. 154

House of Representatives, Feb. 17, 1925.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hammond of Van Buren.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Incorporate The Winding Ledges Power Company.

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

Section 1. Allan E. Hammond, John M. Stevens, John
2 W. Brankley, Robert A. Braman, Chester S. Colson, Au-
3 gustus H. Rhineland, Andrew J. Beck and Chester C.
4 Whitney, their associates, successors and assigns are hereby
5 made a body corporate under the name of "The Winding
6 Ledges Power Company."

Sect. 2. The said corporation is authorized to construct,
2 equip, maintain and operate a dam in the St. John river
3 at or near the winding ledges in the town of Fort Kent in
4 the county of Aroostook and state of Maine from any point

5 along the bank or shore of said river to the boundary line
6 in said river between the United States and Canada to,
7 and may connect said dam with, a dam to be built from
8 the opposite shore of said river in the parish of St. Francis
9 in the province of New Brunswick; provided and when-
10 ever authority to build such dam from the said shore in
11 the province of New Brunswick and to make such con-
12 nection has been or may be obtained by this or some other
13 company in the Dominion of Canada, and may build, main-
14 tain and operate all such wing dams, sluices, booms and
15 piers above said dam to a point opposite the mouth of the
16 St. Francis river as may be necessary to facilitate the
17 passage of logs over or through said dam. Said dam shall
18 be constructed in such a manner as will permit the safe
19 passage and transmission of all logs that may be driven
20 down said St. John river past said dam.

Sect. 3. The said corporation is authorized to make, gen-
2 erate, buy and sell electricity in the county of Aroostook
3 in accordance with the general statutes of the state of
4 Maine relating to that business.

Sect. 4. The said corporation is hereby authorized to
2 construct lines for the transmission of electricity upon and
3 along the highways and public roads in said county of
4 Aroostook when necessary to carry into effect the purposes
5 of this act.

Sect. 5. The capital stock of said corporation shall not
2 exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), a part of

3 which may be preferred stock, the amount to be fixed from
4 time to time by the stockholders of said corporation. Said
5 corporation may issue bonds which may be secured by mort-
6 gages of its property and franchises. All issues of stocks
7 and bonds shall be subject to the provisions of section
8 thirty-seven of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes.

Sect. 6. Upon the organization of the said corporation,
2 it shall be subject to all the duties, liabilities and limitations
3 to which electric companies organized under the general
4 law are subject and shall have and possess all the rights
5 and privileges of such companies.

Sect. 7. Lands actually required for the construction,
2 maintenance and operation of the company's dam, wing
3 dams, booms and piers and other works of the company
4 and all lands which may be flowed by a dam not exceeding
5 sixteen (16) feet in height may be purchased by the com-
6 pany or taken and held as for public uses. If the corpo-
7 ration cannot agree with the owners of lands so taken as
8 to the amount of damage sustained by such owners for such
9 taking, such damages shall be determined and recovered
10 in the manner provided by chapter ninety-seven of the re-
11 vised statutes known as the "Mill Act."

Sect. 8. The said corporation is hereby authorized to
2 accept such franchises, powers and privileges as may be
3 conferred upon it by the legislature of New Brunswick or
4 the parliament of Canada and to perform such acts within
5 New Brunswick or Canada as may be required or per-

6 mitted by said legislature or parliament, and may consoli-
7 date or amalgamate and build, maintain and carry on its
8 works and the franchises hereby granted jointly with the
9 works built under and the franchises granted by said legis-
10 lature or parliament as one single enterprise.