

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

S. P. No. 285

S. D. No. 103

In Senate, Feb. 18, 1925.

Referred to Committee on Towns and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Miner of Washington.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Divide the Town of Jonesport and Incorporate the
Town of Beals.

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

Section 1. All that part of the town of Jonesport in
2 Washington County lying southerly of the following de-
3 scribed line: beginning at the Addison line and running in
4 an easterly direction through the center of what is known
5 as Moosabec Reach or Jonesport Reach intersecting with a
6 line running through the westerly end of Freeman's Rock
7 and the easterly end of Pig Island, back to intersect the
8 Jonesport Reach line, together with the inhabitants thereof,
9 is hereby set off from the town of Jonesport and incorpo-

10 rated under a separate town by the name of Beals, and said
11 town of Beals is hereby vested with all the powers and
12 privileges and subject to all the duties and obligations inci-
13 dent to other towns of the State.

Sect. 2. The several inhabitants of the town of Beals
2 shall be holden to pay all taxes which have been legally
3 assessed upon them by the town of Jonesport for the year
4 1925, and the collector of taxes for the town of Jonesport
5 is hereby authorized and required to collect and pay all
6 taxes to him committed for the year 1925 according to his
7 respective warrants. All State and County Taxes so as-
8 sessed shall be paid out of the treasury of the town of
9 Jonesport, but all moneys raised for municipal purposes in
10 the town of Jonesport for the year 1925 of every kind and
11 nature shall be divided proportionately between the towns of
12 Beals and Jonesport taking into account the number of
13 months remaining in the municipal year and in proportion
14 with the valuation of the town of Beals and the town of
15 Jonesport. The sums to be apportioned for the town of
16 Jonesport and the town of Beals shall be determined and
17 decided by the County Commissioners of Washington
18 County, and their decision shall be final and binding upon
19 both parties.

Sect. 3. The existing liabilities and obligations of the town
2 of Jonesport shall be divided as follows: The town debt
3 shall be borne by said towns in proportion to the valuation
4 of their respective territories as of April, 1924. All pau-

5 pers now supported by the aid of the town of Jonesport
6 shall, after division, be maintained and supported by the
7 town in which territory they resided when they became
8 paupers. Each town shall thereafter bear all expenses for
9 the care and maintenance of roads, highways and bridges
10 within its respective limits.

Sect. 4. All the property, whether real or personal of the
2 town of Jonesport shall be the property of the town in
3 which it is now located. All property now in the town of
4 Jonesport shall be appraised by the County Commissioners
5 of Washington County, and each town shall be charged
6 with the appraised value thereof. The difference between
7 the appraisal of the property taken by each town shall be
8 paid by the town taking the larger amount, and shall be
9 divided between the two towns in proportion to the valua-
10 tion of their respective territories, as taken by the asses-
11 sors in April, 1924. All books, papers and records of the
12 town of Jonesport shall be retained by said town of Jones-
13 port and they shall be accessible to the inhabitants of each
14 town at proper times.

Sect. 5. Any Justice of the Peace or Notary Public
2 within and for the County of Washington may issue his
3 warrant to any legal voter in the town of Beals directing him
4 to notify the inhabitants thereof to meet at a time and place
5 specified in the warrant, giving at least seven days notice
6 thereof for the choice of town officers, and to transact other
7 business that towns are authorized to do.

Sect. 6. Until the next legislative apportionment of representatives the town of Beals shall be classed in the same legislative class as the town of Jonesport.