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NEW DRAFT (A)

EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

S. P. No. 664

S. D. No. 326

In Senate, April 8, 1925.

Tabled by Mr. Hinckley of Cumberland pending printing.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section One of Chapter Ninety-seven of
the Revised Statutes, Relating to Right to Erect and Main-
tain Mill Dams and to Divert Water by a Canal for Mills.

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

Section one of chapter ninety-seven of the revised statutes
2 of nineteen hundred and sixteen is hereby amended by add-
3 ing to said section after the word "expressed" in said sec-
4 tion the following:

'Any dam raising the level of water in ponds, lakes, or
2 streams, for the purpose of collecting and storing water,
3 for use at other water mills and dams, owned by the owners
4 of said dam, and located below said dam on the same stream
5 or water to which said stream is tributary, shall not be

6 erected, except, such dam be authorized by special act of
7 the legislature.'

So that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Any man may on his own land, erect and maintain a
2 water mill and dams to raise water for working it, upon
3 and across any stream, not navigable; or, for the purpose
4 of propelling mills or machinery, may cut a canal and erect
5 walls and embankments upon his own land, not exceeding
6 one mile in length, and thereby divert from its natural chan-
7 nel the water of any stream not navigable, upon the terms
8 and conditions, and subject to the regulations hereinafter
9 expressed.

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