

## EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

### Senate Document

### No. 223

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ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Foster of Kennebec.

# STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Telegraph and Telephone Companies.

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

Section seventeen of chapter sixty of the revised statutes, 2 as amended by chapter forty-nine of the public laws of 3 nineteen hundred twenty-one, is hereby further amended 4 by adding in the ninth line thereof after the words "the 5 lines" the following: 'including the right to erect and main-6 tain such lines along the sides of railroad tracks within the 7 limits of lands, owned or held by a railroad corporation, or 8 in crossing with its wires and cables, such tracks and lands 9 on paying a reasonable compensation therefor,' so that said 10 section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 17. Every corporation operating a telegraph or

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2 telephone line in the state may connect its line or lines with 3 those of any other like corporation, and may sell or lease 4 its lines and property, in whole or in part, to any other like 5 corporation, and may purchase or lease the line, or lines, and 6 property, in whole or in part, of any like corporation, upon 7 such terms as may be agreed upon by the contracting par-8 ties, subject, however, to the control of the public utilities 9 commission; and may purchase, or take and hold as for 10 public uses, land necessary for the construction and opera-II tion of its lines, including the right to erect and maintain 12 such lines along the sides of railroad tracks within the limits 13 of lands owned or held by a railroad corporation, or in 14 crossing with its wires and cables, such tracks, and lands 15 on paying a reasonable compensation therefor. Land may 16 be so taken and damages therefor may be estimated, se-17 cured, determined and paid as provided by sections twelve 18 to twenty-two inclusive of chapter sixty-one of the revised 19 statutes.'