## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

## **House Document**

No. 182

H. P. 616. House of Representatives, Jan. 31, 1929.
 Referred to Committee on Public Utilities and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Foster of Ellsworth.

## STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Granting the Right of Eminent Domain to Electric Power Companies Doing a Public Utility Business.

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

Corporations organized under the provision of section

three of chapter sixty of the revised statutes and corporations chartered by special acts of the legislature for the

purpose of making, generating, selling, distributing and

supplying electricity for lighting, heating, or other public

purposes are hereby authorized and empowered to take and

hold by right of eminent domain such lands and easements

as may be necessary for the proper location of their trans-

9 mission lines which are designed to carry voltages of two 10 thousand volts or more and of necessary appurtenances 11 thereto, located within the territory in which said corpora12 tions are authorized to do a public utility business, in the 13 same manner and under the same conditions as set forth 14 in chapter sixty-one, sections eleven to twenty-two, of the 15 revised statutes and amendments thereto.

This right shall not apply to lands or easements located 2 within three hundred feet of an inhabited dwelling, nor to 3 lands and easements on or adjacent to any developed or 4 undeveloped water power, nor to lands and easements 5 owned or used by railroad corporations; and provided fur-6 ther that this right shall not be exercised in such a way as 7 to interfere unreasonably with the service of existing wire 8 lines of other utility corporations.

Any location to be so taken for such transmission lines 2 shall be approved by the county commissioners of the 3 county in which the transmission lines are located.