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EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. No. 65 House of Representatives, Jan. 21, 1931.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Graves of Mt. Desert.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Re-establish the Town Line Between the Towns
of Hancock and Lamoine.

Emergency Preamble. Whereas, conditions exist which render it highly desirable that the town line between the towns of Hancock and Lamoine in Hancock county shall be re-established; and

Whereas, such re-establishment will cause certain territory now in the town of Hancock to be in the town of Lamoine, and will cause certain territory now in the town of Lamoine to be in the town of Hancock; and

Whereas, it is of serious importance, that such re-establishment and change of territory take place and go into effect before the first day of April, nineteen hundred thirty-one, the date of assessment of taxes in said towns, in order that uncertainty and confusion may not arise between said towns respecting the apportionment and application of the taxes to be assessed on the territory affected by this act, especially as such may relate to the maintenance of schools and highways and repairs of highways and bridges; and

Whereas, by reason of the foregoing facts, an emergency exists, such as is contemplated by the constitution of this state, and the passage of this act is immediately necessary for the preservation of public peace, health and safety; now therefore Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. The town line between the towns of Hancock and Lamoine, in Hancock county, is re-established as follows: Beginning in the center of Skillings River, so called, where it empties into Frenchman's Bay; thence northerly and north-westerly but always following the center line of said Skillings River to a point in Kilkenny Cove in the generally east-and-west line which now divides the town of Lamoine on the south from a portion of the town of Hancock, on the north; thence north eighty-two degrees fifteen minutes west (N. $82^{\circ} 15' W.$) but always following said line which now divides the town of Lamoine from a portion of the town of Hancock, to the west bank of Skillings River; thence continuing same course, but always following said line which now divides said towns sixteen thousand one hundred and four (16,104) feet, more or less, to a point ninety-five (95) feet easterly from the north-easterly side of the county road leading from Lamoine to Ellsworth; thence north, thirty-eight degrees fifteen minutes west (N. $38^{\circ} 15' W.$) five thousand (5,000) feet, more or less, to a point in the town line between the town of Hancock and the city of Ellsworth, said point being north, thirty-five degrees east (N. $35^{\circ} E.$) of, and eighty (80) feet distant from the northeasterly side of said county road.

Sect. 2. All land lying westerly of the line established in section one above, which formerly was a part of the town of Hancock, is incorporated into and made a part of the town of Lamoine; all land lying easterly of the line established in section one above, which formerly was a part of the town of Lamoine, is incorporated into and made a part of the town of Hancock.

Sect. 3. All taxes now legally assessed and remaining unpaid, upon any of the land which by this act either becomes a part of the town of Hancock, being formerly a part of the town of Lamoine, becomes a part of the town of Lamoine, or being formerly a part of the town of Hancock, are and shall be due and payable to the respective town in which said land lay before this act shall take effect, and the collectors of taxes for both of said towns are hereby authorized and required to collect and pay over in accordance with this act all such taxes which have been committed to them.

Sect. 4. If any person, who now resides in either of the towns of Hancock or Lamoine and in any part of the territory

changed from one town to the other by the passage of this act shall fall into distress or become a pauper after this act shall take effect, his legal status, for the purpose of establishing his pauper settlement, shall be the same as if he had removed from one town to the other and taken up his residence in such other town on the day this act shall take effect.

Sect. 5. Each of the towns of Hancock and Lamoine, after this act shall take effect, shall thenceforth bear all expenses for the care and maintenance of all schools, roads and bridges within its respective limits, as well as all other town expenses.

Sect. 6. All real estate, if any, including school houses and lots on which same are located, belonging to the town of Hancock or Lamoine, and which by the passage of this act shall be changed from within the boundaries of one of said towns into and within the boundaries of the other, shall be and become the property of the town within which said real estate shall be located, after this act shall take effect, without payment of any compensation by one town to the other.

Sect. 7. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.