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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hathaway of Milo.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Classifying Sewage Companies as Public Utilities.

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

Section I. Sewage companies denoted public utilities. Paragraph twenty-six of section fifteen of chapter sixty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting in the third line of said paragraph after the word "company" the words 'sewage company', so that said paragraph as amended shall read as follows:

'Public utilities denoted. The term "public utility" when used in this chapter, includes every common carrier, gas company, electrical company, telephone company, telegraph company, water company, sewage company, wharfinger, and warehouseman, as those terms are defined in this section, and each thereof is hereby declared to be a public utility and to be subject to the jurisdiction, control, and regulation of the commission, and to the provisions of this chapter.'

Sec. 2. Definition of sewage companies. Section fifteen of chapter sixty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto at the end thereof the following paragraph:

'Definition of sewage companies. The term "sewage company" when used in this chapter, includes every corporation or person and lessees, trustees, receivers, or trustees appointed by any court whatsoever, owning, controlling, operating or

managing any sewage or drainage system for compensation within this state; sewerage or drainage systems operated by any municipal or quasi municipal corporations shall not be included under the term "sewerage company"."