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EIGHTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 604

H. P. 1413 House of Representatives, February 9, 1939. Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Bird of Rockland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to the Conferring by Corporations of Voting and Other Rights upon the Holders of its Obligations.

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

R. S., c. 56, additional. Chapter 56 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 29-A and to read as follows:

'Sec. 29-A. Certain corporations may confer voting power upon bond-holders. Any corporation a plan of reorganization of which, pursuant to the provisions of the Act of Congress of July 1, 1898, entitled "An Act to Establish a Uniform System of Bankruptcy Throughout the United States", as now or hereafter amended and supplemented, has been or shall be confirmed by the decree or order of a court of competent jurisdiction, or any other corporation acquiring all or a part of the assets of such reorganizing corporation pursuant to or as permitted by such plan of reorganization or the decrees and orders of the court or judge relative thereto, may by its certificate of organization or any amendment thereto or by its by-laws, and always in accordance with the plan of reorganization as confirmed, confer upon the holders of any of its bonds, notes, debentures or other obligations, secured or unsecured, the power to vote, exclusively or concurrently with stockholders, for the election of all or some of the directors and in re-

spect of the affairs and management of the corporation, and any other rights belonging to or which might be conferred upon stockholders, to such extent and subject to such restrictions and qualifications and to be exercised in such manner as the certificate of organization or any amendment thereto or the by-laws may provide; and in such case all provisions of law regarding voting and other rights of stockholders and the exercise thereof shall apply, as nearly as may be, to the corresponding rights conferred upon the holders of obligations.'