

# NINETIETH LEGISLATURE

## **Legislative Document**

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk. Presented by Mr. Leavitt of Portland.

### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-ONE

#### AN ACT Relating to Organization of Consumers' and Producers' Cooperatives.

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

**R. S., c. 70, § 1, amended.** Section 1 of chapter 70 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 1. Organization.** When 7 or more persons desire to be incorporated as proprietors of a social, military, literary, scientific, or county law library; as a Masonic lodge or chapter of any order or degree; as a Masonic association consisting of members of different orders or degrees; as a lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; as a lodge of the Knights of Pythias; as a tribe of the Improved Order of Redmen; as a division of the Sons of Temperance; as a tent of the Rechabites; as a grange of Patrons of Husbandry; as a Council of the Sovereigns of Industry; as a lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; as a Grand Army Post; as an American Legion Post; as a Council of the Boy Scouts of America; as a relief or benefit association for mutual assistance; as a monument or memorial association; as a society to promote temperance; as a village improvement society; as an association for the promotion of

good municipal government; as a chamber of commerce or board of trade; as a yacht club; or for the purpose of preserving and maintaining a family homestead and the rights of descendants and of members of the family therein; or for any literary, scientific, musical, charitable, educational, social, military, agricultural, moral, religious, or benevolent purpose, they may apply in writing to any justice of the peace in the county, who may issue his warrant, directed to one of said applicants, requiring him to call a meeting thereof at such time and place as the justice may appoint.'

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