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S. P. 338 Referred to Committee on Public Utilities. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW. Secretary. Presented by Senator Haskell of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT Amending the Charter of Portland Gas Light Company.

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

Sec. 1. Charter rights increased. Portland Gas Light Company is hereby authorized and empowered, in addition to powers conferred upon it by its charter and the purposes therein defined, being chapter 288 of the private and special laws of 1849 and all amendments thereto, to manufacture gas and to purchase, furnish, distribute and sell gas, both manufactured and natural, within the limits of the territory in which it is authorized to exercise its franchises, and to do any and all lawful acts in aid of or in furtherance of said powers and purposes.

Sec. 2. Franchises, rights and privileges extended for unlimited period. The franchises, rights and privileges of said company heretofore granted to it by its said charter and acts amendatory thereof and additional thereto are hereby extended beyond the period of limitation now fixed by law, without limitation of term; subject otherwise, however, to all the terms, conditions and restrictions of said charter and acts amendatory thereof and additional thereto and to the general statutes of the state so far as heretofore or hereafter applicable, consistent herewith.

Sec. 3. Existing statutes not affected; subject to provisions of revised statutes. Nothing herein contained is intended to repeal or shall be construed as repealing the whole or any part of any existing statute, and all the rights and duties herein mentioned shall be exercised and performed in accordance with the applicable provisions of chapter 40 of the revised statutes of 1944 and acts amendatory thereof or additional thereto; and the extension of the term of the franchises, rights and privileges of said company without limitation shall not be deemed to affect the rights of the city of Portland, as set forth in said charter and amendments, nor the rights reserved to the state by general statute.