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House of Representatives, March 6, 1959

Referred to the Committee on Public Utilities. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Davis of Calais.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE

**AN ACT to Permit the Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative to
Exercise Eminent Domain.**

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

Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative; powers of eminent domain. The Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, organized under the provisions of the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 51, is hereby authorized and empowered to take and hold by right of eminent domain such lands and easements as may be necessary for the proper location of its transmission lines which are designed to carry voltages of 5,000 volts or more and of necessary appurtenances thereto, in the same manner and under the same conditions as set forth in the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 52, sections 11 to 22. This right shall not apply to lands or easements located within 300 feet of an inhabited dwelling, nor to lands and easements on or adjacent to any developed or undeveloped water power, nor to lands or easements so closely paralleling existing wire lines of public utility corporations or other rural electrification cooperatives that the proposed transmission lines would substantially interfere with service rendered over said existing lines, except with the consent of the owners thereof, nor to lands and easements owned or used by railroad corporations. Any location to be so taken for such transmission lines shall be approved by the Public Utilities Commission.