

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# **PUBLIC ACTS**

OF THE

## **STATE OF MAINE,**

PASSED BY THE

### **TENTH LEGISLATURE,**

AT ITS

**SESSION HELD IN JANUARY, 1830.**

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CHAPTER CCCCLXXIX.

AN ACT requiring notice to be given in Cases of Contested Elections.

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That* when any person or persons, shall intend to remonstrate against, or contest the election of any person returned as a member of the House of Representatives, he or they, shall notify said Representative elect of such intention, at least twenty days before the first Wednesday in January, by delivering to him in hand, or leaving at his last and usual place of abode, in writing, a specification of the objections to the validity of his election : *Provided, That* the meeting at which he claims to have been elected, shall have been held at least thirty days before said first Wednesday in January.

Any person, in tending to contest the election of a person returned as Representative, shall give said Rep. 20 days notice, &c.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 18, 1830.*]



CHAPTER CCCCLXXX.

An additional ACT to promote the sale and settlement of Public Lands.

**SECT. 1.** *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That* whenever the Land Agent shall ascertain that any person or persons, deriving their title to any lands, under a grant from the State, shall claim a right to, or have in possession any greater quantity of land than was granted, it shall be the duty of said land agent, to demand of such person or persons a release to the State of the surplus quantity, or a fair value therefor in money, or satisfactory security therefor ; and in case of any disagreement concerning the amount of such surplus lands or the value thereof, the land agent is hereby authorized to settle the same by reference,

The Land Agent shall demand of persons claiming, &c. under a grant from the State, more land than was granted, a release of the surplus to the State, or an equivalent therefor, or may settle the same by reference.

And in case of non-adjustment, shall make known all the facts to the Governor who with advice of Council may direct, &c.

or in such other manner as may be agreed on ; and if such person or persons shall refuse to comply with either of said modes of adjustment ; the land agent shall make known all the facts in the case to the Governor of the State, and he, with advice of Council, may direct that an inquest of office, or any other process in law, that the Attorney General shall determine to be proper, be instituted to ascertain the title in the State to revert the possession of such surplus land.

Purchasers of townships shall within 3 months after the survey, &c. of the same, give notice to the Land Agent, who shall select 1000 acres for public uses, &c. and procure the description of the same to be recorded in Reg. of Deeds, &c.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the land agent be, and he hereby is empowered, and it shall be his duty to select and designate one thousand acres of land, to average in quality and situation in each township, which is or may be surveyed in small lots for sale and settlement, to be reserved for such public uses as is provided by the act to which this is additional ; and in each township or part of a township, that is, or may hereafter be sold, subject to said reservation, and where by the terms of the sale, such township or part of a township is to be surveyed and lotted for settling within a time specified, the owner or owners thereof shall within three months after the same shall have been surveyed and lotted, give notice thereof to the land agent, who, with such person as the owner or owners shall appoint as agent for that purpose, shall select and designate the lands reserved for public uses as aforesaid ; and if such owner or owners shall neglect or refuse to appoint an agent for the purpose aforesaid, when requested by the land agent, he shall select and designate said reserved lands ; and in all cases shall cause a description of the lots designated as aforesaid, to be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds in the county in which the lands are situated, at the expense of the State.

[*Approved by the Governor, March 18, 1830.*]