

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**PRIVATE AND SPECIAL**

**ACTS**

OF THE

**STATE OF MAINE,**

PASSED BY THE

**ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE,**

**At its Session commencing January 5th, 1831.**

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**Portland.**

TODD AND HOLDEN.....PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1831.

first meeting of said corporation, may be called First meeting. by John A. Hyde, at such time and place, as he may think suitable, seasonable notice thereof being given, by him, to his associates.

## CHAPTER 146.

AN ACT authorizing the Inhabitants of the North District in the County of Washington to choose a Register of Deeds.

Approved March 5, 1831.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That from and after the passing of this Act, the said North District shall comprise all of said Limits of said District. County of Washington, lying North of the North line of the fourth range of townships, North of the Bingham Lottery lands, near the Baskahegan river, and the said inhabitants of said District are hereby authorized to choose a Register of Register's office shall be kept in Houlton. Deeds for said District, in the manner hereinafter provided, whose office shall be kept in the plantation called Houlton in said District.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That any Justice of the Court of Sessions for said County, is hereby authorized and empowered to issue his warrant to the Selectmen and Assessors of the several towns and plantations in said District, requiring them in the mode established by law, to call a meeting of the inhabitants of said towns and plantations, qualified to vote for Representatives, on the first Monday of May next, Meeting for choice of Register, how called. that they may then proceed to vote by ballot for When held. some discreet and suitable person, to be Register of Deeds, and said Selectmen and Assessors shall preside at said meetings, and shall receive, sort, count and declare the votes of the qualified electors present, and the town and plantation

**Duty of Clerks.** Clerks, shall form a list of the persons voted for, with the number of votes for each person against his name, and having recorded the same, shall seal up and transmit a certified copy of the record thereof to the Clerk of the Court of Sessions for said County within thirty days thereafter: and it shall be the duty of said Justice, who shall issue said warrant to appoint a day for the examination of said votes, and give notice thereof to the other Justices of said Court, which shall be within ten days from the time said votes are made returnable as aforesaid. And said Justices or a major part of them shall on the day so appointed meet at the office of said Clerk, and open and examine said return of votes, and the person having a majority of votes shall be declared elected, and shall be notified thereof by said Clerk, and such person, after being sworn to the faithful discharge of his trust, and giving bond as required by law in the sum of five hundred dollars, shall be and continue the Register of Deeds in said District, until the expiration of five years, after the next annual September election; unless a vacancy shall occur by death, resignation or otherwise; and if it shall appear upon examination of the returns aforesaid, of the votes in said District, that no person has a majority thereof, the same proceedings shall be had as are by law provided in other cases of vacancy in the office of Register of Deeds in the several Counties of this State.

**Duty of Justice.**

**Clerk shall notify the person elected, who shall be sworn and give bond.**

**To continue in office five years, unless, &c.**

**If no person shall be elected, what proceedings shall be had.**

**SECT. 3.** *Be it further enacted,* That the person chosen as aforesaid, under the provisions of this Act as Register of Deeds for the District aforesaid, shall be subject to the same rules, duties, requisitions and liabilities incident by law to Registers of Deeds, in the several Counties, and for recording all deeds and other instruments proper to be registered in his office, shall receive the same fees as are authorized by law for Registers of Deeds in the several Counties of this State.

**Duties, requisitions, &c.**

**Fees.**

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That whenever the Register chosen as aforesaid, shall be qualified and prepared to enter upon the duties of his office, the powers and duties exercised by the present Register appointed by virtue of a law of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, passed the twelfth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eight, shall cease, and all records, deeds and papers belonging to said office shall be by him delivered to the Register chosen as aforesaid.

When new Register is qualified, duties of the former Register shall cease.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That all Acts and parts of Acts, now in force, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Acts repealed.

## CHAPTER 147.

AN ACT to regulate the taking of Fish in Sheepscot River.

Approved March 7, 1831.

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That from and after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for the inhabitants of the towns of Alna and Whitefield, and the plantation of Patricktown, in the County of Lincoln, at their annual town and plantation meetings, in the month of March or April in each year, to choose by ballot a committee of not more than nine, nor less than three persons, in each town, and in said plantation, who shall be residents of the town or plantation in which they are chosen, and who shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duty; and it shall be the duty of said committee, to cause sufficient locks, sluices or fishways, in their respective towns, and in said plantation, to be kept open and free for the passage of Sal-

Towns of Alna and Whitefield, and plantation of Patricktown, may choose Committees;

Who shall be sworn.

Their duty.