

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE.

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CHAP. 2.**Chapter 2.**

An act regulating the trial of cases when judges are interested.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

When judge is a resident of a town or county interested in a cause pending.

—no legal or valid objection.

Proviso.

SECT. 1. In any case now pending, or which may hereafter be pending, in any court of record in this state, in which any city, town, or county is a party, or in any way interested, it shall be no legal or valid objection to any judge of said court upon the trial of said cause, that he is an inhabitant of such city, town or county, but it shall be the duty of the judge to proceed on the trial of said cause, notwithstanding such interest; *provided*, the party adverse to the city, town or county, shall enter upon the docket a waiver of all objection to the judge on account of interest.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its approval by the governor.

[Approved February 17, 1853.]

**Chapter 3.**

An act to amend chapter one hundred and fifty-three of the public laws, approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and fifty.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

Of drains and common sewers.

SECT. 1. The first section of an act, entitled, an act additional to chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes, shall be amended by adding thereto, at the end thereof, the following proviso, viz :

Persons benefited chargeable with expense of making, &c.

*Provided*, that no part of the expense of making, maintaining, or repairing any drain, or common sewer, shall be assessed upon the owner of any lot of land not actually connected with such main drain, or common sewer, by a side drain. And whenever any such lot shall be so connected with said main drain or common sewer, the owner of such lot shall be held to pay such portion of the expense of said main drain or common sewer, as may be assessed upon him in the manner provided in this act.

[Approved February 17, 1853.]