

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

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**Chapter 193.**

An Act relating to changes in the location of railroads.

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

Change in location of any railroad, may be made under direction of commissioners.

SECT. 1. Any railroad corporation, under the direction of the railroad commissioners, may make any changes in the location of its road which it deems necessary or expedient, and such changes shall be recorded where the original location was required by law to be recorded.

May take land necessary for making any change.

SECT. 2. Any railroad corporation may purchase, or take and hold, as for public uses, land and materials necessary for making any changes authorized by the preceding section, in the manner authorized by its charter or the general provisions of law, and may cross highways and town ways in accordance with the provisions of law regulating such crossings.

Sec. 46, ch. 51, amended.

SECT. 3. Section forty-six of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "legislature" in the third line thereof the words 'or the railroad commissioners,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows :

Prohibition against change of location of railroad tracks, or refusal to operate road.

'SECT. 46. No railroad having established its business upon a line shall substantially deviate from the track as originally built without the consent of the legislature or the railroad commissioners, and no railroad having established its business as aforesaid, shall cease to run its trains and operate its road, so long as said railroad company pays dividends to its stockholders from its earnings; but this section does not permit any railroad company to cease operating its road or running its trains.'

Approved March 10, 1893.