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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

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## STATE OF MAINE

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**Chapter 354.**

An Act authorizing the Ashland Manufacturing Company to erect dams and make improvements upon the Big Machias River in the County of Aroostook.

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

Sect. 1. The Ashland Manufacturing Company, a corporation existing under the laws of Maine, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to build dams, side dams, piers, remove rocks, and make all other necessary improvements on the Big Machias river, so called, in the county of Aroostook, to facilitate the driving of logs and other lumber down said river. And for this purpose, said company is hereby authorized and empowered to take land and material necessary to build said dams and piers and make such improvements, and may flow contiguous lands so far as necessary to raise suitable heads of water. And in case said company cannot agree with the owner or owners as to the amount of damages, either for lands and material so taken or for damage occasioned by flowing land, such damages shall be determined by the county commissioners of the county of Aroostook, in the same manner as damages are assessed for the location and laying out of highways, as provided in chapter eighteen of the revised statutes and acts amendatory thereof.

Company authorized to build dams, and piers.

—may take land.

—damages, how determined.

Sect. 2. Said company may demand and receive a toll for the passage of logs over said dams of fifteen cents per thousand feet, board measure, wood scale. And said company shall have a lien upon all logs which may pass over its said dams, for the payment of said toll; but the logs of each particular mark shall be holden only for the unpaid toll of such mark and unless such toll is paid, said company may seize said logs at any time before they shall have arrived at the easterly line of the state of Maine, separating said state from the province of New Brunswick, and sell at public auction so many thereof as shall be necessary to pay said toll, costs and charges. Notice of the time and place of such sale shall be given ten days before said sale, in some newspaper printed in said county of Aroostook.

Tolls.

—shall have lien on logs.

—how enforced.

—notice of sale.

Sect. 3. When said company shall from tolls be reimbursed for its expenditures thereon, and six per cent annual interest upon all such amounts expended, all tolls shall cease. And said company shall keep an accurate account of all its receipts and expenditures relative to the improvements upon said river

When tolls shall cease.

CHAP. 355 authorized by this act, which shall at all times be open to the inspection of all persons interested in timber lands or in lumbering on said Big Machias river.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 17, 1897.

Chapter 355.

An Act authorizing and empowering the Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain piers and booms in the Penobscot River.

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

Company authorized to erect piers and booms in Penobscot river.

-sorting gaps shall be maintained.

-shall not impede navigation.

-logs of other parties shall be turned out as soon as practicable.

May separate and sort its own lumber.

Sect. 1. The Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company, a corporation existing under the laws of Maine, its successors and assigns, are hereby authorized and empowered to locate, erect, and maintain in the Penobscot river, between the dam of said company as at present located, in the towns of Enfield and Howland, and a line drawn across the Penobscot river at the head of Mahockanock island, so called, in the towns of Lincoln and Mattamiscontis, piers and booms for the purpose of collecting, holding, separating and sorting out logs, pulp woods and other lumber coming down said Penobscot river. Provided, however, that at least two sorting gaps are constructed, maintained and used for the passage of logs, pulp wood and other lumber through said booms. Said piers and booms shall be so located, constructed, maintained and used that logs and lumber running down said river, belonging to other parties, and not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said company, its successors and assigns, shall not be unreasonably impeded or delayed, and such logs and lumber of other parties, when stopped for sorting, shall be turned by as soon as they can be practicably sorted out and separated from logs and lumber destined for use and manufacture at said mills, and any stray logs, pulp wood and other lumber not destined for use and manufacture at the mills of said company, if found in the booms of said company, shall be turned out thereof by said company, upon demand of the owner or owners thereof in writing, at its own charge and expense.

Sect. 2. Said Piscataquis Falls Pulp and Paper Company, its successors and assigns, by aid of such piers and booms, are