

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1899.

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February 18, 1840, and March 16, 1842.

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PUBLIC LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE.

1899.

Chapter 1.

An Act to amend Section Fifty-four of Chapter Fifty-one of the Revised Statutes relating to assignment of charter or rights under it by railroad corporations.

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

Section fifty-four of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "legislature" in the third line thereof the following; 'but this shall not be construed to prevent contracts between corporations allowing the trains of one to run over the road of another, both corporations assenting thereto,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 54. No corporation can assign its charter or any rights under it; lease or grant the use or control of its road or any part of it, or divest itself thereof, without the consent of the legislature. But this shall not be construed to prevent contracts between corporations allowing the trains of one to run over the road of another, both corporations assenting thereto. On a complaint of a violation of these provisions by any person, the attorney general shall file an information in the nature of quo warranto against the corporation, and the court may enter such decree as justice and equity require. These provisions do not extend to that portion of the Atlantic and Saint Lawrence Railroad in New Hampshire and Vermont; nor is any mortgage, made to secure payment of the debt of said corporation, affected thereby.'

Section 54,
chapter 55,
R. S.,
amended.

Assignment
or lease of
road without
consent of
Legislature,
forbidden.

—trains of
a road
may run
over road
of another
corporation.

—excep-
tions.

Approved January 27, 1899.