

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SEVENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1903.

Section 5. All acts or parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Section 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 4, 1903.

Chapter 8.

An Act recognizing Sebasticook Power Company as a corporation legally organized, and to grant to it additional powers.

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

Sebasticook
Power
Company
authorized to
erect dam.

Section 1. Sebasticook Power Company, a corporation organized under the general laws of Maine, located at Pittsfield in said state, is hereby authorized to erect, construct, maintain and repair and extend a dam across the Sebasticook river, with necessary-side dams and canals appurtenant thereto across the Sebasticook river upon land which said corporation now owns or may acquire, near the house of Albion Maine, one end of which dam shall rest on land in Pittsfield, in Somerset county, and the other end of which shall rest on land in Burnham, in the county of Waldo, and by means of such dam to flow any and all lands on said river or any of its tributaries above the proposed dam and below any dam now existing, and to erect, maintain and operate mills on or near said dam for the purposes of grinding different kinds of grain, the sawing and finishing of all kinds of lumber, and the manufacturing of woolen and cotton cloths, said mills to be furnished with power from said dam; also for the purposes, notwithstanding the rights of any other corporation, of making, generating, selling, distributing and supplying gas or electricity, or both, for heating, lighting, manufacturing or mechanical purposes in and to the towns of Burnham in said county of Waldo, and Palmyra, Detroit and Pittsfield, in said county of Somerset, or any of them, or to any village corporation in any of the above towns, or to any inhabitant of any of said towns, or to any one doing business in any of said towns, with the right for any and all the above purposes to purchase or otherwise acquire any lands or real estate or any rights of flowage and other rights as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes above set out, to purchase and otherwise acquire, distribute, sell and deal in electrical fixtures and apparatus and all other kinds of merchandise and personal property.

—may flow
lands.

—may
operate mills.

—may supply
gas or
electricity.

—may acquire
real estate.

—may deal in
personal
property.

May take
and hold
lands for
purposes of
corporation.

Section 2. Said incorporation is hereby empowered to take and hold as for public uses such lands and property as may be necessary for the purpose of said corporation as herein provided,

and such material as may be needed for erecting and maintaining its dams and structures, and in case said corporation cannot agree with the owner or owners as to the price to be paid therefor, the same shall be determined by the county commissioners of the county wherein the land or the personal property taken is situated, upon application of any party interested to such county commissioners, in the same manner as damages are assessed for the location, alteration and discontinuance of highways, as provided in chapter eighteen of the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and eighty-three, and acts amendatory thereto and additional thereto, and the same rights of appeal from the decision of said county commissioners shall exist and may be prosecuted in the same manner as provided in chapter eighteen, and acts amendatory thereto and additional thereto. Said corporation is hereby empowered also to flow such lands as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act, and said corporation shall be liable to all damages by said flowing, to be ascertained and determined in the manner described in chapter ninety-two of the revised statutes, and acts amendatory thereto and additional thereto.

—price, how determined.

—appeal, how taken.

—may flow lands.

—shall be liable for damages.

Section 3. For the purpose of raising funds to be used in the construction and maintenance of its works, and to carry out the purposes for which it is created, said corporation is also authorized to issue its bonds to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, and of such date and denomination and payable at such times as said company may determine, and to secure said bonds, both principal and interest, by mortgage upon all its property, both real and personal, and also upon the franchise of the corporation.

Funds, how to be used.

—may issue bonds.

—may secure bonds by mortgage.

Section 4. Said Sebesticook Power Company is hereby authorized to purchase any or all of the franchise, rights, privileges and property of the Pittsfield Electric Light and Power Company, a corporation organized under the laws of Maine and located at said Pittsfield.

May purchase property of Pittsfield Electric Light and Power Company.

Section 5. The said Pittsfield Electric Light and Power Company is hereby authorized to sell, transfer and convey any or all of its franchise, rights and property to the said Sebesticook Power Company, and its successors.

Pittsfield Electric Light and Power Company may sell its property.

Section 6. The terms, time and manner of said purchase, sale and transfer shall be determined by the mutual agreement of said parties, subject to law, and any contracts already made for such property are hereby ratified.

Section 7. Said Sebesticook Power Company shall immediately upon the transfer be invested with any or all the rights, privileges, immunities and franchises that either or both of said companies may possess.

How method of sale and transfer may be determined.

Section 8. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved February 4, 1903.

Chapter 9.

An Act to provide in part for the Expenditures of Government for the year nineteen hundred and three.

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

Act of appro-
priation
for 1903.

Section 1. In order to provide for the several acts and resolves of the legislature, requiring the payment of money from the treasury, and also to provide for the necessary expenditures of government for the current fiscal year of nineteen hundred and three, the following sums are hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury, and the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is authorized at any time prior to the first day of January next, to draw his warrant on the treasury for the same.

School fund and mill tax, five hundred ninety thousand two hundred eighty dollars and seventy-seven cents	\$590,280 77
Free high schools, forty-six thousand dollars...	46,000 00
Normal schools and training school, thirty-one thousand dollars	31,000 00
Aid to academies, twenty-three thousand dollars. .	23,000 00
Trustees of normal schools, one thousand dollars,	1,000 00
Teachers' meetings, one thousand dollars.....	1,000 00
State examination of teachers, five hundred dol- lars	500 00
Summer training schools and distribution of edu- cational documents, two thousand five hundred dollars	2,500 00
Schooling of children in unorganized townships, two thousand five hundred dollars	2,500 00
Superintendence of towns comprising school unions, three thousand dollars	3,000 00
Interest on Madawaska territory school fund, three hundred dollars	300 00
Foxcroft Academy, sixty dollars	60 00
Hebron Academy, sixty dollars	60 00
Houlton Academy, one hundred and twenty dol- lars	120 00
School district number two, Madison, fifty dollars,	50 00
Public debt, seventy thousand dollars.....	70,000 00