

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.

Chapter 368.

An Act to grant additional powers to the Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Street Railway.

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

Section 1. The Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Street Railway is hereby authorized to sell or lease its property and franchises to any street railroad whose location as approved by the railroad commissioners would form connecting or continuous locations with the approved location of said Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Street Railway, and in such case the corporation so purchasing or leasing such property and franchises shall be entitled to all the privileges belonging to said Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Street Railway and shall be subject to all appropriate conditions and limitations contained in its charter and franchises.

Authorized
sell or lease
to connecting
lines.

—privileges
of purchaser
or lessor.

Any street railroad company whose location as approved would form continuous or connecting locations with the location of said Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Street Railway, as said railroad is approved by the railroad commissioners, is hereby authorized to so purchase or lease the property and franchises of the said Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Street Railway.

—connecting
line
authorized to
purchase or
lease.

Section 2. The Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Street Railway is further authorized to consolidate with or acquire by lease, purchase or otherwise, lines, property and franchises of any street railroad or street railroads whose locations as approved by the railroad commissioners, would form connecting or continuous locations with the location of said Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Street Railway, as said location is approved by the railroad commissioners; and in such case the Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Street Railway shall be entitled to all the privileges of said street railroad or street railroads, and be subject to all appropriate conditions and limitations contained in the charters and franchises thus united with or acquired. Any street railroad company, whose location as approved by the railroad commissioners would form connecting or continuous locations with the location of the Auburn, Mechanic Falls and Norway Street Railway, as approved by the railroad commissioners, is hereby authorized to consolidate with or to lease, or to sell its lines, property and franchises, as in this section authorized.

May
consolidate
with
connecting
lines.

Section 3. All proceedings, suits at law or in equity which may be pending at the time of any transfer authorized by this act to which any corporation so transferring its property and franchises may be a party may be prosecuted or defended by

Pending
proceedings,
how
prosecuted
or defended.

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the corporation so acquiring the same in like manner and with like effect as if such transfer had not been made. All claims, contracts, rights and causes of action of or against any corporation so selling or leasing, at law or in equity, may be enforced by suit or action to be begun or prosecuted by or against the corporation so acquiring property and franchises as aforesaid.

Liabilities of
acquiring
corporation.

Section 4. When any transfer authorized by this act is carried out and fully completed the corporation acquiring any franchise hereunder shall be liable for the then legally existing debts and obligation of the corporation so making such transfer.

Acquiring
corporation
may issue
stock and
bonds.

Section 5. Any corporation acquiring property and franchises by virtue of this act may issue its stock to an amount sufficient therefor, and also its bonds secured by appropriate mortgages upon its franchise and property in such amounts as may be required for the purposes of this act, and thereafterwards may issue its stock and bonds in payment and exchange for the stock, bonds, franchises and property of the corporation making any transfer authorized by this act, in such manner and in such amounts as may be agreed upon.

Section 6. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 28, 1903.

Chapter 369.

An Act to grant certain powers to the Hancock County Trustees of public reservations.

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

Incorporation
made valid.

Section 1. The incorporation of the Hancock County Trustees of public reservations, a corporation organized at Bar Harbor, Maine, under the revised statutes of Maine, chapter fifty-five, is hereby ratified and confirmed.

May acquire
lands for free
public uses.

Section 2. Said corporation shall have power to acquire, by devise, gift or purchase, and to own, arrange, hold, maintain and improve, for free public use, lands in Hancock county, Maine, which by reason of scenic beauty, historical interest, sanitary advantages, or for other reasons, may be available for the purpose.

Lands shall
be exempt
from
taxation.

Section 3. Lands and improvements thereon, held by said corporation, for free public use, shall be exempt from state, county or town taxation.

Section 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 28, 1903.