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Chapter 170.

An Act to consolidate the State Water Storage Commission and the State Survey Commission and to amend certain sections of Chapter two hundred and twelve, Public Laws, nineteen hundred and nine, creating the State Water Storage Commission, and to repeal Chapter ninety-nine, Public Laws, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and Chapter one hundred and forty-four, Public Laws, nineteen hundred and five.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1, chapter 212, public laws, 1909, amended.

Section one of chapter two hundred and twelve, public laws, nineteen hundred and nine, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "engineer" in the ninth line thereof the words 'with the title of chief engineer, who shall have charge, under the direction of the commission, of the operations under this act,' and by striking out all the remaining words in the section after the word "Augusta" in the tenth line thereof and substituting therefor the words 'the chief engineer is hereby authorized and empowered to employ, subject to the approval of the commission, such engineers, stenographers, clerks, and other subordinates as he may find necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, and to fix and pay the reasonable salaries and expenses of such employees,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

State water storage commission, appointment and membership.

'Section 1. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, is authorized to appoint three citizens of the state, who, together with the governor and the state land agent, shall constitute a commission to be known as the State Water Storage Commission, of which the governor shall be chairman. As members of said commission, they shall receive no salaries but shall be paid their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, and may employ a competent engineer, with the title of chief engineer, who shall have charge, under the direction of the commission, of the operations under this act. The office of the commission shall be at the state house in the city of Augusta. The chief engineer is hereby authorized and empowered to employ, subject to the approval of the commission, such engineers, stenographers, clerks, and other subordinates as he may find necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, and to fix and pay the reasonable salaries and expenses of such employees.'

—may employ competent engineer.

—location of office.

—chief engineer may employ subordinates.

—section 3 amended.

Section three is hereby amended by striking out all of said section and substituting the following section therefor, so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Authorized to confer with U. S. geological survey.

'Section 3. The commission is hereby authorized to confer with the director or the representative of the United States geological survey and to accept its co-operation with this state

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in the prosecution of hydrographic and geological surveys and the preparation of a contour topographic survey and map of this state which are hereby authorized to be made.'

Section five of said act is hereby amended by inserting after the last word in said section the words 'the commission shall thereafter present and publish an annual report of its operations and include any data that it may collect bearing on the water powers and water resources of the state,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

—section 5,
amended.

'Section 5. The commission shall present to the legislature on or before the fifteenth day of January in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirteen, a report showing the progress made in its investigations, and, if practical, shall complete its investigations to such an extent before January first in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirteen, as will enable it to present in its report a comprehensive and practical plan for the improvement and creation of such water storage basins and reservoirs as will tend to develop and conserve the water powers of the state. The commission shall also report so far as its investigations will permit on the present development of the water powers in the state with reference to the general plan proposed so that the legislature may have before it a comprehensive summary of the possibilities that lie in the development of the water powers in the state, as a natural resource and the necessary steps that should be taken by the state to further increase and conserve them. The commission shall thereafter present and publish an annual report of its operations and include any data that it may collect bearing on the water powers and water resources of the state.'

Shall present
report to
legislature.

—contents of
report.

—annual re-
ports.

Said act, namely chapter two hundred and twelve, public laws, nineteen hundred and nine, is hereby amended by the insertion of the following additional section ten which shall read as follows:

—chapter 212,
public laws
1909, amend-
ed.

'Section 10. Chapter ninety-nine of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, and chapter one hundred and forty-four of the public laws of nineteen hundred and five are hereby repealed.'

Chapter 99,
public laws
1899 and
chapter 144,
public laws
1905 repealed.