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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Seventy-fifth  
Legislature

*1911*

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**CHAP. 129****Chapter 129.**

An Act relating to Vassalboro, China and Windsor Light and Power Company.

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

Company authorized to generate and sell electricity.

Section 1. The Vassalboro, China and Windsor Light and Power Company, a corporation organized under the general laws of the state of Maine, is hereby authorized to make, generate, sell, distribute and supply gas and electricity for lighting, heating, manufacturing and mechanical purposes in that part of the town of Vassalboro situated south of Meadow Brook road, so-called, also so much of said town north of said Meadow Brook road as is west of the east boundary of Oak Grove seminary extended south to said Meadow Brook road, and as is south of the north bound of said seminary extended west to the Kennebec river.

Powers and privileges, how construed.

Section 2. The various powers and privileges conferred on said Vassalboro, China and Windsor Light and Power Company by this act shall be construed as in furtherance and not in limitation of the powers and privileges conferred on said corporation by the general law.

Approved March 16, 1911.

**Chapter 130.**

An Act relative to the Bangor and Brewer Bridge.

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

New spans in Bangor and Brewer bridge authorized.

Section 1. The cities of Bangor and Brewer, in the county of Penobscot and state of Maine, are hereby authorized and directed forthwith as soon as this act shall take effect, to construct two new, substantial steel or concrete spans replacing the two wooden spans now a part of the Bangor and Brewer highway bridge, so-called, within the limits of the cities of Bangor and Brewer, over the Penobscot river and connecting the said city of Bangor with the said city of Brewer.

—approaches to bridge may be altered.

Said cities of Bangor and Brewer may alter the present approaches to said bridge or construct new approaches to said bridge if said alteration or construction of said approaches be deemed necessary. Said spans and approaches shall be of sufficient width, strength and construction safely to permit the passage over said bridge of the traffic thereby to be accommodated.

Piers and abutments may be altered and repaired.

Section 2. The said cities of Bangor and Brewer are hereby authorized and directed forthwith as soon as this act shall take effect, to alter or repair the existing piers and abutments of said

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bridge, as may be necessary, or to construct such new piers and abutments or either, as may be necessary properly and safely to support the superstructure of said bridge.

Section 3. The cost and expense incurred hereunder shall be borne and paid by said cities of Bangor and Brewer in the proportion of four-fifths by the city of Bangor and one-fifth by the city of Brewer, and all revenue received from any or all corporations and companies using this bridge under the conditions specified in section five of this act, shall be distributed between the two said cities in the proportion of four-fifths to the city of Bangor and one-fifth to the city of Brewer.

Costs and expenses, how borne and paid.

—revenue, how distributed.

Section 4. After said improvements, additions, alterations and repairs shall be completed, the said bridge shall be maintained by the cities of Bangor and Brewer in the proportion of four-fifths by the city of Bangor and one-fifth by the city of Brewer.

How bridge shall be maintained.

Section 5. The city councils of the cities of Bangor and Brewer shall have exclusive authority to grant permission to any corporation operating an electric railroad in said cities of Bangor and Brewer, or either of said cities, to lay its tracks and wires and operate its railroad over and upon said bridge, and said city councils shall also have exclusive authority to grant permission to any gas company, telephone company, telegraph company, and any other public service company or corporation to erect, lay and maintain their pipes, mains, poles, cables, wires and other necessary apparatus over and upon said bridge, and said city councils may impose such conditions and terms upon said companies and corporations desiring to use said bridge as aforesaid, as they may deem expedient.

Authority in city councils to grant certain privileges.

Section 6. There shall be constituted a bridge committee of five members, four of whom shall be elected by the city council of the city of Bangor and one by the city council of the city of Brewer, the tenure of office of whom shall be fixed by said city councils respectively. Of the committee elected by the city council of the city of Bangor, not more than two shall be from the same political party and no member of said committee shall at the time of his election be a stockholder in said companies or corporations. Said committee shall have authority to investigate and recommend to both said city councils the terms and conditions upon which said permission may be granted to said corporations and companies as specified and described in section five of this act, and to make report thereof to both said city councils. Said report shall be advisory only and nothing contained in this section shall be construed in any manner as taking from said city councils the authority to impose said

Bridge committee, how constituted and tenure.

—authority of committee.

—report of committee, how construed.

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terms and conditions upon which said permission may be granted as specified and provided in section five of this act.

Action of city council may be ratified or rejected at special election.

Section 7. The municipal officers of the city of Bangor shall upon the petition of four hundred qualified voters of said city cause a special election to be held within thirty days from the day of the filing of said petition, for the purpose of ratifying or rejecting such actions as the said city council may take in imposing terms upon such corporations and companies for use of said bridge as provided for in section five of this act.

Petition for special election filed with city.

Said petition to be valid shall be filed with the city clerk of said city of Bangor within seven days from the time said action is taken by said city council, and if a majority of the votes cast at said special election are in favor of rejecting the action of said city council, said action shall be rendered null and void.

—major vote final.

If a majority of votes shall be in affirmation of said action, then said action will be final.

Approved March 16, 1911.

**Chapter 131.**

An Act granting certain powers to the Pennamaquam Power Company.

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

Company authorized to lower the waters of Pennamaquam lake.

Section 1. The Pennamaquam Power Company, a corporation existing under the laws of the State of Maine, successor to the Pembroke Power Company, its successors and assigns, is hereby authorized to lower the waters of lake Pennamaquam, situated in the county of Washington, for the purpose of making more uniform its power, and when necessary for said purpose in periods of drought or dry seasons, to a level of eighteen inches below the low water mark of said lake in the year nineteen hundred and ten; said low water mark of the year nineteen hundred and ten to be determined by such civil engineer as may be agreed upon by the land owners, whose rights will be affected, and bordering on said lake, and the Pennamaquam Power Company, and to be fixed by said engineer upon investigation and such evidence as he deems necessary; said low water mark shall be established by said engineer at any time after thirty days' notice to all parties owning lands bordering upon said lake and affected by this act. Said notice shall be considered sufficient for the purposes of this act when the Pennamaquam Power Company, through its president, shall have mailed to the last known address of all real estate owners, resident or non-resident, whose names appear as being assessed

—low water mark to be determined by engineer agreed upon by parties.

—sufficient notice.