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### ACTS AND RESOLVES

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and hold by purchase, gift, devise or bequest, personal or real estate in all not exceeding five million dollars owned at any one time.'

Approved March 14, 1925.

#### Chapter 22.

An Act to Extend the Charter of the Patter Water and Power Company.

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

P. & S. L., 1923, c. 47; charter rights extended. The rights, powers and privileges granted by chapter forty-seven of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Patten Water and Power Company" are hereby extended for a term of two years from the time when the same would otherwise expire.

Approved March 14, 1925.

#### Chapter 23.

An Act Relating to the Jurisdiction of the Municipal Court of the City of Westbrook.

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

- P. & S. L., 1883, c. 204, sec. 2; 1903, c. 119, sec. 1; 1917, c. 185, sec. 1; relating to jurisdiction of Westbrook Municipal court, amended. Section two of chapter two hundred and four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-three in relation to the jurisdiction of the municipal court of the City of Westbrook, as amended by section one of chapter one hundred and nineteen of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and three, and further amended by section one of chapter one hundred and eighty-five of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby amended by adding the words 'or the recorder' after the word "judge" in line seven, and said section is further amended by striking out the words, "except when the judge or the recorder of said court is interested in any such action as party or attorney," in the seventh and eighth lines thereof, and by adding at the end of said section the following words: 'said court shall have no jurisdiction of any action when the judge or the recorder of said court is interested as a party or attorney,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:
- 'Sec. 2. Jurisdiction denied when judge or recorder is interested as party or attorney. Said court shall have exclusive, original jurisdiction of all offenses against the ordinances and by-laws of said city, and of the local board of health therein, and of such criminal offenses and misde-

meanors committed therein, as are cognizable by trial justices; and of all civil actions wherein the debt or damage demanded does not exceed fifty dollars, and both parties reside in said city, and original jurisdiction concurrent with the superior court of the County of Cumberland in all civil actions wherein the debt or damages do not exceed two hundred dollars, exclusive of costs, in which any party to the action or person summoned as trustee shall reside, or, if not an inhabitant of the state, shall be commorant or have a place of business, in said city; said court shall have no jurisdiction of any action when the judge or the recorder of said court is interested as a party or attorney.'

Approved March 14, 1925.

#### Chapter 24.

An Act to Amend Chapter One Hundred and Ninety-five of the Private and Special Laws of Eighteen Hundred and Eighty-seven, Entitled "An Act to Amend an Act Incorporating the City of Waterville," as Amended by Chapter Sixteen of the Private and Special Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen.

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

- P. & S. L., 1887, c. 195, sec. 7; 1917, c. 16; relating to powers and duties of mayor and city council regarding city funds and property, amended. Chapter one hundred and ninety-five of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the city of Waterville, as amended by chapter sixteen of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby amended by striking out the words "one million dollars" in the eleventh line of the seventh section of said act, and inserting in place thereof the words 'one million five hundred thousand,' so that the said section, as amended, shall read as follows:
- 'Sec. 7. Limitation of power to purchase and hold property for municipal purposes increased to \$1,500,000. No money shall be paid out of the city treasury except on orders drawn and signed by the mayor, designating the fund or appropriation from which said orders shall be paid, nor unless the same shall be first granted or appropriated therefor by the city council, and the city council shall secure a prompt and just accountability by requiring bonds of sufficient penalty and surety or sureties, from all persons trusted with the receipt, custody or disbursement of money; the city council shall have the care and superintendence of the city buildings and the custody and management of all city property, with power to let or sell what may be legally let or sold, and to purchase, take and hold, in the name of the city, real and personal property for municipal purposes to an amount not exceeding one million, five hundred thousand dollars,