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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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connect with the feed lines of a corporation generating and selling electricity, and such corporation shall be obliged to furnish electricity if requested to the extent of its reasonable capacity and at reasonable rates, provided the Public Utilities Commission shall so order upon application therefor, after public hearing of all parties interested.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 35, § 2306, amended. The first paragraph of section 2306 of Title 35 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

Corporations organized under section 2301 and corporations chartered by special Acts of the Legislature or cooperatives organized under chapters 221 to 227 for the purpose of making, generating, selling, distributing and supplying electricity for lighting, heating or other public purposes are authorized and empowered to take and hold by right of eminent domain such lands and easements as may be necessary for the proper location of their transmission lines which are designed to carry voltages of 5,000 volts or more and of necessary appurtenances thereto, located within the territory in which said corporations are authorized to do a public utility business, in the same manner and under the same conditions as set forth in chapter 263.

Sec. 5. R. S., T. 35, § 2809, repealed and replaced. Section 2809 of Title 35 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 2 of chapter 348 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 2809. Cooperatives are public utilities; jurisdiction of Public Utilities Commission

Cooperatives shall be public utilities and subject to chapters 1 to 17, notwithstanding any public or private and special laws to the contrary. Any person who has been refused membership in or service by a cooperative or who is receiving inadequate service may complain to the Public Utilities Commission which may, after hearing, upon finding that such service may reasonably be rendered, order such person to be served with reasonably adequate service. If said commission, after hearing, shall determine that any requirement of membership in a cooperative is unreasonable or unjust, it shall order such requirement repealed or not to be enforced.

Sec. 6. Effective date. This Act shall become effective 91 days after the adjournment of the Legislature.

Effective October 8, 1967

Chapter 383

AN ACT Relating to Appointment of the Deputy Secretary of State.

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

R. S., T. 5, § 81, amended. The 2nd sentence of the 2nd paragraph of section 81 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 421 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed as follows:

~~The Secretary of State may appoint the Deputy Secretary of State subject to the Personnel Law.~~

Effective October 7, 1967