

HOUSE.....No. 50.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-one.

AN ACT

To unite the Boston and Portland Rail-road Corporation,
and the Boston and Maine Rail-road Company.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

1 SEC. 1. The stockholders of the Boston and Port-
2 land Rail-road Corporation are hereby constituted
3 stockholders of the Boston and Maine Rail-road Com-
4 pany, a corporation created by the Legislature of the
5 State of New Hampshire, in the year one thousand
6 eight hundred and thirty-five ; and the stockholders of
7 the Boston and Maine Rail-road Company are hereby
8 constituted stockholders of the said Boston and Port-
9 land Rail-road Corporation, and the said two com-
10 panies are hereby made one corporation, by the name

11 of the Boston and Maine Rail-road Company; and
12 all the franchises, property, powers and privileges
13 granted or acquired under the authority of the said
14 States respectively shall be held and enjoyed by all
15 the said stockholders in proportion to the number of
16 shares or amount of property held by them respect-
17 ively in either or both of said corporations.

1 SEC. 2. One or more of the directors or other officers of
2 said Boston and Maine Rail-road Company shall, at all
3 times, be an inhabitant of this Commonwealth, on
4 whom processes against said company may be legally
5 served; and said company shall be held to answer in
6 the jurisdiction where the service is made, and the
7 process is returnable.

1 SEC. 3. The said company shall keep separate
2 accounts of their expenditures in Massachusetts, and
3 New Hampshire, respectively; and two commission-
4 ers shall be appointed, one by the governor of each
5 State, to hold their offices for the term of four years,
6 and to be reasonably compensated by said company,
7 who shall decide what portion of the expenditures of
8 said company and of its receipts and profits properly
9 pertain to that part of the road lying in Massachu-
10 setts and New Hampshire respectively: and the
11 annual report required to be made by the directors to
12 the Legislature of this Commonwealth shall be ap-
13 proved by the said commissioners.

1 SEC. 4. The said company and the stockholders
2 therein so far as their road is situated in Massachu-
3 setts, shall be subject to all the duties and liabilities of
4 the Boston and Portland Rail-road Corporation, and
5 the general laws of this State, to the same extent as
6 the Boston and Portland Rail-road Corporation, and

7 the stockholders therein would have been if this act
8 had not been passed.

1 SEC. 5. This act shall not take effect until the
2 legislature of the State of New Hampshire shall have
3 passed an act similar to this, nor until said acts shall
4 have been accepted by the stockholders of the said two
5 corporations respectively, at legal meetings called for
6 that purpose.

SENATE, Feb. 20, 1841.

Passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

CHAS. CALHOUN, *Clerk.*

