



Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
In the year of our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and eleven -  
An act to divide the town of Eastport, and to establish a part thereof as a separate town  
by the name of Lubeck.

Sec. 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled and by authority of the same. That all that part of the Town of Eastport, as contained, and described within the following boundaries be, and the same is hereby established, as a separate town by the name of Lubeck, viz. Southerly by the Bay of Funday, or Atlantic Ocean, Easterly by a line drawn from the easterly point of West Quoddy Head thro' the narrows into Passamaquoddy Bay, and between Campo-bella Island, and Mark, or Frederick Islands, including Green Island Northerly by the middle of the channel, between Moose Island and Dudley Island, and following said channel between Gove's Point and Birch Point and between Denbo's Neck and Fall Island thence rep. straight bay, to a white pine tree marked 1785 NE.NW thence by a line trees south nine degrees thirty minutes east four miles three hundred and twelve (?) rods to a spruce tree on the Northerly shore of Haycock's Harbour marked 1785 SW.SE and from thence through the middle of said harbour, to the bay of Funday, including all the Islands and inhabitants within the above described boundaries, and the said town of Lubeck is hereby vested with all the powers and privileges, and is also subjected to the same duties and requisitions of other towns according to the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth.

Sec. 2 Be it further enacted that the four lots of public land in the town of Eastport of three hundred and twenty acres only shall be equally divided between the said towns of Eastport and Lubeck and Messierers Solomon Cushing Otis Lincoln, and Moses Lincoln are hereby appointed a committee to divide the same, equal in quantity and quality they giving seasonable notice to the selectmen of each town, of the time and place of entering upon the duties hereby assigned them, and their report being recorded in the records of each of said towns of Eastport and Lubeck, shall operate as a confirmation of said land to each of said towns, according to said division any law or resolve to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sec 3. Be it further enacted, that the inhabitants and proprietors of land in the said town of Lubeck, shall be hold-en to pay their proportion of all taxes already voted to be raised or assembled by the Town of Eastport, and also to pay their proportion of all public debts due and owing by the said town of Eastport at the time of passing of this act and also to pay their proportion of the expense of supporting the poor, now belonging to the town of Eastport and Lubeck, and the settlement and support of the poor in time to come shall be determined according to their local residents and situations prior to the passing of this act.

Sec. 4 Be it further enacted, that the said town of Lubeck shall be entitled to demand and receive its proportion of all the public stock of the towns arms, ammunition, or any other property whatsoever, and also to receive its proportion of all monies voted to be raised or assessed for the building a house for the poor in said Eastport, and of all material and furniture belonging to, or purchased for the same, and a receipt of the money or other property shall operate as a release of all the right and interest of the said town of Lubeck therein. And the powers and duties of all the present town officers of Eastport shall continue until the same are completed notwithstanding the organization of the said town of Lubeck. Provided however that until the population of the said town of Lubeck shall be sufficient to entitle them to a separate representation in the legislature, the said town shall continue to join with the town of Eastport in the election of a representative and shall pay its proportion thereof accordingly and at all meetings all meetings which shall be holden for the election of such representative the Selectmen of Eastport shall preside, come and do and perform all the duties which selectmen at such meetings are bound by law to do and perform

Sec 5 And it further enacted, that any Justice of the Peace for the County of Washington is hereby authorized to issue a warrant directed to a freeholder of the said town of Lubeck, requiring him to notify and warn the inhabitants to meet at such convenient time and place as may be appointed in said warrant for the choice of such officers as towns are by law required to choose, or appoint at their annual town meetings. In the House of Representatives June 19 1811  
This bill having had three general readings passed to be enacted.

(signed) Joseph W. Story, Speaker  
In Senate 19th June 1811  
This bill having had two general readings passed to be Enacted (signed) Samuel Dana, President.

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