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CHAP. 157

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL, 1961

Chapter 156

AN ACT Relating to Power of The Universalist Church of Maine to Hold Property.

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

- P. & S. L., 1861, c. 41, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 41 of the private and special laws of 1861, as amended by chapter 26 of the private and special laws of 1947, is further amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 1. Corporators; corporate name; powers, privileges, etc.; may hold real or personal estate. Alpheus Lyon, Richard Dresser, I. C. Knowlton, Israel Washburn, Jr., William R. French, N. G. Hichborn, George Bates, F. A. Hodsdon, Giles Bailey, Henry C. Leonard, Jerome Harris, I. C. Snow, A. G. Gaines, Ezra Beales, Job Prince, J. A. Milliken, Nathan Webb, Jr., D. B. Byther, Calvin Gardner, W. W. Lovejoy, Zenas Thompson, John B. Morrison, Joseph A. Holman, H. H. Johnson, J. S. Monroe, W. A. P. Dillingham, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of The Universalist Church of Maine, with all the powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties, liabilities and restrictions of similar corporations; and said corporation may hold real and personal estate to the value of fifty thousand dollars to be devoted exclusively to the diffusion of Christianity by means of publications, schools, missionary labors or otherwise.'

Effective September 16, 1961

Chapter 157

AN ACT Relating to Nursing Home in Town of Mars Hill.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the hospitalization and nursing care of people in and around the Town of Mars Hill is an obligation and duty of the Town of Mars Hill; and

Whereas, in order to provide such hospitalization and nursing care a nursing home in the Town of Mars Hill should be constructed as soon as possible this year; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Mars Hill to raise money for nursing home. The Town of Mars Hill, Aroostook County, may raise or appropriate money to provide for or support a nursing home in the Town of Mars Hill for the hospitalization or nursing care of human beings, provided that said nursing home shall be organized under the

Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 54. The Town of Mars Hill shall have a lien on such nursing home equal to the amount of money appropriated and turned over in the aggregate by the Town of Mars Hill to the said nursing home, which lien may be enforced in the same manner and with the same effect as the lien on real estate set forth in the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 91-A, section 89, as enacted by the public laws of 1955, chapter 399, section 1, whenever the said nursing home ceases to be a nursing home organized under said Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 54. Such lien shall be subject to the prior payment of all claims of the United States of America, mortgage liens, notes and debentures and operating indebtedness incident to the construction, equipping and operating said nursing home.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective April 24, 1961

Chapter 158

AN ACT to Incorporate the Town of Hamlin, Aroostook County.

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

Sec. r. Town of Hamlin, incorporated. Hamlin Plantation, with the inhabitants therein, is hereby incorporated into a town by the name of Hamlin. The inhabitants of said town are hereby vested with the powers, privileges and immunities which the inhabitants of the towns within the State do or may enjoy. The town hereby created shall take the effects belonging to Hamlin Plantation and shall also assume all the obligations thereof.

Sec. 2. Local referendum provided for; election procedure; form of question; certificate to Secretary of State. This act shall take effect go days after adjournment of the Legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters within the territory embraced within the limits of said proposed Town of Hamlin, voting by ballot at an election to be specially called and held for the purpose within 7 months of the effective date of this act. The meeting shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the board of assessors in said proposed Town of Hamlin shall not be required to prepare for posting, nor the plantation clerk to post, a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters, said board shall be in session on the day of election and on such additional days prior thereto as they may determine. The plantation clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall 'An Act to Incorporate the Town of Hamlin, Aroostook County,' passed by the 100th Legislature, be accepted?" The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. Upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting, this act shall take effect for all purposes at the end of the 1961 municipal year and the plantation officers for the time being are authorized to exercise the powers of town officers thereafter until the annual meeting in March 1962; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act at said meeting equaled or exceeded 50% of the total number of the qualified voters within said territory.