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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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such elections; but failure of approval by the necessary percentage of voters shall not prevent subsequent elections and failure of acceptance by the voters shall not prevent subsequent elections within the time limit herein stated. The result of such elections shall be declared by the municipal officers of the Town of Berwick and due certificate thereof filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.

Effective September 21, 1963

Chapter 155

AN ACT Appropriating Funds for Grants-in-Aid for Construction of Municipal Sewage Treatment Facilities.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the Federal Government through provisions of P. L. 660 84th Congress has for some years made available grants-in-aid for municipal sewage treatment works construction and since 1957 the State has also had such a program but state funds were available only in a ratio to federal aid somewhat below that provided by respective statutes and this resulted in some accumulation of federal funds; and

Whereas, following the passage of P. L. 87-658 (Public Works Acceleration Act) some of our communities became eligible for a combination of grants which would, including state aid, give local governments 80% of the cost of these facilities as opposed to 60% under previous conditions; and

Whereas, since to be sure of participation in this program a community must be able to start construction within 120 days following application for P. L. 87-658 aid, it is essential that state grant money be available immediately; and

Whereas, to many communities in areas of difficult economy this is the difference between a possibility and an impossibility even though the original aid was generous; and

Whereas, in 3 out of 4 of the applications now on file, the present and future economy of the regions is involved in a clean waters program; 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:

Sec. 1. Water Improvement Commission; appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund of the State the sum of \$381,815 to be available to the Water Improvement Commission for supplying grants-in-aid for sewage works construction as provided in the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 79, section 7-A. Any balance of this appropriation shall lapse June 30, 1965.

Sec. 2. Breakdown of appropriation. The breakdown of the funds appropriated is as follows:

	1962-63
WATER IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION	
Municipal Sewerage	
All Other	\$381,815

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

Effective May 3, 1963

Chapter 156

AN ACT Relating to Elections in the City of Biddeford.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1933, c. 71, § 1, amended. The first and 2nd sentences of section 1 of chapter 71 of the private and special laws of 1933, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 83 of the private and special laws of 1941, are amended to read as follows:

~~'Any and all candidates for nomination by any and all political parties, or under section 32 of chapter 7 of the revised statutes which desire to nominate candidates for the Biddeford municipal election by caucus meetings of the voters enrolled as qualified to vote in such caucus as hereinafter provided, for elective office in the City of Biddeford, for any of the following offices: Mayor, councilman, member of the school board, police commissioner, warden or ward clerk, shall present to the city clerk, at least 2 weeks before the date of the caucus a caucus petition requesting their names to be so placed on the caucus ballot and only such petitions and nominations as hereinbefore referred to shall be placed on the final ballot. The city clerk is hereby prohibited from receiving said caucus petitions or nominations within 2 weeks from the date of the caucus and of the placing on the final ballot any candidate for either of the above offices, and said city clerk is further prohibited from allowing any substitution of candidates on any caucus petition or nomination paper unless said substitution is agreed to in writing by all the signers of said caucus petition or nomination paper.'~~

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1933, c. 71, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 71 of the private and special laws of 1933, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 83 of the private and special laws of 1941, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentences:

'Nothing contained herein shall be construed to invalidate or otherwise limit the rights and privileges granted to the inhabitants of the City of Biddeford by the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 90-A, section 60-A. Such caucus petitions may contain as many separate papers as necessary. It must contain the name of only one candidate, his place of residence, the office sought, the name of his party, the electoral division for which the nomination is proposed, and the date of the caucus. The candidate seeking the nomination must file with the caucus petition a written consent stating that he will accept the nomination. Such consent may be made a part of the caucus petition. A signer of a caucus petition or the