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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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OF THE

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3. **Clerk to list.** The clerk shall keep a list of the persons to whom he furnishes absentee ballots, until after election day, or the clerk shall file the applications and requests in alphabetical order by precinct.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 175

AN ACT Relating to Jurisdiction of the District Court in Certain Felony Cases.

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

R. S., T. 4, § 152, amended. Section 152 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

The District Court shall also possess, concurrent with the Superior Court, original jurisdiction to receive pleas of guilty in felony cases in which the defendant has in writing waived his right to indictment by grand jury and his right to appearance and trial in the Superior Court and has indicated his intention to enter a plea of guilty to the charges pending against him. When exercising such jurisdiction the District Court shall possess all of the powers of the Superior Court. Such jurisdiction shall be exercised in the manner which the Supreme Judicial Court shall by rule provide. Any person sentenced under this section shall be entitled to the rights provided by Title 15, chapter 306.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 176

AN ACT Relating to Temporary Loans by the State.

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

Whereas, there has been a default on a substantial mortgage insured by the Maine Industrial Building Authority; and

Whereas, the State will be required to make payments to the mortgagee under its contract of insurance; and

Whereas, there are not sufficient funds in the Mortgage Insurance Fund; and

Whereas, it will be necessary to make temporary loans in anticipation of bond proceeds; and

Whereas, the statutes do not now so provide; 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. R. S., T. 5, § 150, amended. The first sentence of section 150 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by chapter 417 of the public laws of 1967, is amended to read as follows:

The Treasurer of State, with the approval of the Governor and Council, may negotiate a temporary loan or loans in anticipation of the issuance of bonds authorized but not yet issued ~~as provided by the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, section 14.~~

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall become effective when signed by the Governor.

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

Effective April 14, 1971

Chapter 177

AN ACT Relating to Service Charges for Sewage Disposal.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 4355, amended. The 3rd sentence of section 4355 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

There shall be a lien on real estate served or benefited by a municipal sewer or sewer disposal system to secure the payment of service charges duly established hereunder which shall take precedence over all other claims on such real estate, excepting only claims for taxes. The treasurer of the municipality shall have the same authority and power to collect such service charges as are granted by Title 38, section 1208, to treasurers of sanitary sewer districts with reference to rates established and due under Title 38, section 1202.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, § 4453, amended. The first sentence of section 4453 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows: