

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting, sections 5 and 7 of this Act shall take effect for all purposes hereof at the annual meeting in 1977; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of sections 5 and 7 of this Act at said meeting equaled or exceeded 50% of the total number of votes cast in the plantation at the last gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the board of assessors of the Plantation of Westmanland and due certificate shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State.

Effective March 4, 1977

CHAPTER 6

AN ACT Making Additional Appropriations from the General Fund for the Current Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1977.

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

Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of State Government will become due and payable before July 1, 1977; 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:

Appropriations from General Fund. There is appropriated from the General Fund for the year ending June 30, 1977, to the Maine Guarantee Authority the sum of \$1,000,000. The breakdown shall be as follows:

1976-77

MAINE GUARANTEE AUTHORITY

All Other	\$1,000,000
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Provides funds to enable the authority to meet obligations under its existing mortgage insurance agreements.

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

Effective March 11, 1977

CHAPTER 7

AN ACT to Revise the Bath Water District Charter.

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

P & SL 1915, c. 197, § 7, first ¶, 2nd, 3rd & 4th sentences, as last repealed and replaced by P & SL 1975, c. 82, § 1, are repealed and the following enacted in their place:

Two of these terms expire on the Sunday preceding the first Monday of November, 1979, at which time the city council of the City of Bath shall elect one trustee to serve a term of 2 years and one trustee to serve a term of 5 years. The other 3 terms expire on the Sunday preceding the first Monday of November, 1977, 1978 and 1980. On the expiration of each of these terms and on the first Monday of the November thereafter, one trustee shall be elected for a term of 5 years by the body who originally appointed the trustee of the expiring term. The term of the trustee shall continue until his successor has been duly elected.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 8

AN ACT Appropriating Funds for the Save Loring Committee.

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

Whereas, on March 11, 1976, the United States Air Force announced plans for an 83% reduction of Loring Air Force Base at Limestone; and

Whereas, Loring Air Force Base has been an integral part of Limestone, Van Buren, Fort Fairfield, Caribou and Presque Isle; and

Whereas, the proposed cutback will result in a loss of \$126,000,000 in gross state product and an increase in the Aroostook County unemployment rate to 18%; and