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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED BY THE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS
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STATE OF MAINE

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January 4, 1978 to April 6, 1978

Town of Otisfield; lump sum payment. The selectmen of the Town of Otisfield may in their discretion elect to meet the town's obligations to Cumberland County for existing bonded indebtedness through a lump sum payment. If the selectmen of the Town of Otisfield make that election, the County Commissioners of Cumberland County shall accept that lump sum payment. The amount of that lump sum payment shall be \$22,940 and shall be paid on or before July 1, 1978.

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

Effective February 15, 1978

CHAPTER 89

AN ACT Concerning Membership on the Food and Farmland Study Commission.

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

Whereas, the First Regular Session of the 108th Legislature enacted P & S L 1977, c. 65, "An Act to Establish the Maine Food and Farmland Study Commission," in order to protect the food production capability of the State and to encourage greater food and agricultural self-sufficiency; and

Whereas, it is vital to the commission that, in its deliberations, it have the assistance of the State Planning Office through membership of the Director of the State Planning Office on the commission; and

Whereas, it is the intent of this bill to place the Director of the State Planning Office on the commission immediately in order to enable the commission to properly carry on and complete its deliberations and recommendations by the beginning of the 109th Legislature; 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. P&SL 1977, c. 65, § 1, first sentence is amended to read:

In order to protect the food production capability of the State, to provide consumers with ready access to wholesome, locally-produced food products and to

encourage greater food and agricultural self-sufficiency, there is hereby created, within the Department of Agriculture, the Maine Food and Farmland Study Commission to study the problem of conversion of farmland to other uses.

Sec. 2. P&SL 1977, c. 65, § 3, 4th sentence, is amended to read:

The remaining 10 members shall include the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Commissioner of Conservation, the ~~State Tax Assessor~~ Director of the State Planning Office, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the Vice-president for Research and Public Services at the University of Maine, the Dean of the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture at the University of Maine, the Director of the Cooperative Extension Service, the President of the Maine Association of Conservation Districts, or their respective designees, one member of the House of Representatives and one member of the Senate.

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

Effective February 17, 1978

CHAPTER 90

AN ACT to Revise the Sanford Sewerage District Charter.

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1947, c. 169, § 1, 1st ¶, as amended by P&SL 1957, c. 153, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

The inhabitants and territory within the Town of Sanford in the County of York shall be, and hereby are, created a body politic under the corporate name of the "Sanford Sewerage District," hereinafter called the district, for the purposes of providing and maintaining within the district the existing sewers and such additions thereto as are necessary for the adequate operation of that system, and the district is hereby authorized to provide, construct, maintain and operate those systems of sewage and sewage disposal, and to lay, make and maintain such common sewers as the board of trustees may, from time to time, deem necessary for the disposing of its sewage for the health, welfare, comfort and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town of Sanford.

Sec. 2. P&SL 1947, c. 169, § 1, as last amended by P&SL 1957, c. 153, § 1, is further amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph: