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RESOLVES
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Valente if he recovers in the action, and his recovery against the State of Maine shall not exceed \$20,000, including costs.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 14

RESOLVE, Authorizing Charles S. Estes, or his Legal Representative, to Bring a Civil Action Against the State of Maine.

Charles S. Estes; authorized to sue the State of Maine. Resolved: That Charles S. Estes of the Town of New Gloucester, in the County of Cumberland, who suffered a personal injury and personal property damage on May 10, 1976, caused by the negligence of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife or its agents, or his legal representative, is authorized to bring an action in the Superior Court for the County of Cumberland, within one year of the effective date of this resolve, at any term thereof against the State of Maine for damages, if any, and a complaint issuing out of said Superior Court under the authority of this resolve shall be served on the Secretary of State by attested copy 30 days before a term of said court by the sheriff or either of his deputies in any county of the State of Maine; and the conduct of said action shall be according to the practice of actions and proceedings between parties in said Superior Court, and the liabilities of the parties and elements of damage, if any, shall be the same as the liabilities and elements of damage between individuals; and the Attorney General is authorized and designated to appear, answer and defend said action. Any judgment that may be recovered in said civil action shall be payable from the State Treasury on final process issued by said Superior Court or, if appealed, the Supreme Judicial Court, and costs may be taxed for the said Charles S. Estes if he recovers in said action. Any recovery in said action shall not be in excess of \$15,000, including costs. Hearing thereon shall be before a single justice, without a jury, said justice to be assigned by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 15

RESOLVE, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Oxford County for the Year 1977.

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

Whereas, Oxford County has certain expenses and liabilities which must be met as they become due; and

Whereas, it is necessary that the taxes for the year 1977 hereinafter mentioned be immediately assessed in order to provide the required revenue for the county; 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

Sec. 1. Oxford County; taxes apportioned. Resolved: That the following sum is hereby granted as a tax on Oxford County to be apportioned, assessed, collected and applied to the purposes of paying debts and necessary expenses of the county as authorized herein, and for other purposes of law, for the calendar year 1977:

1977 TAX

\$467,624

; and be it further

Sec. 2. General Fund expenditures authorized. Resolved: That the following sums, based on the county budget filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, are authorized as General Fund expenditures by the county during the calendar year 1977, in the specific total amounts of expenditures for personal services, contractual services, commodities and capital expenditures for each account in the county budget:

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
1005 — Superior Court	
Contractual Services	\$ 90,000
1015 — Civil Emergency Preparedness	
Personal Services	22,588
Contractual Services	7,252
Commodities	1,100
Capital Expenditures	3,600
1016 — County Firemen	
Contractual Services	3,598
Commodities	250
Capital Expenditures	901
1025 — District Attorney	
Personal Services	6,224

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
Contractual Services	\$ 10,650
Commodities	1,700
Joint Budget	3,480
Capital Expenditures	500
1030 — County Commissioners	
Personal Services	19,214
Contractual Services	7,050
Commodities	1,000
1035 — County Treasurer	
Personal Services	10,073
Contractual Services	535
Commodities	500
1040 — Court House	
Personal Services	9,974
Contractual Services	20,836
Commodities	12,900
1050 — Jail	
Personal Services	25,470
Contractual Services	2,746
Commodities	7,400
1065 — Register of Deeds (West)	
Personal Services	11,204
Contractual Services	3,455
Commodities	2,250
1066 — Register of Deeds (East)	
Personal Services	22,878
Contractual Services	22,400
Commodities	2,100
Capital Expenditures	5,000
1070 — Registry of Probate	
Personal Services	19,668
Contractual Services	1,389
Commodities	1,805
1075 — Sheriff	
Personal Services	43,308
Contractual Services	40,100
Commodities	4,200
Capital Expenditures	18,000
1085 — Surveyors	

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
Contractual Services	\$ 1,000
1090 — Auditing	
Contractual Services	3,000
2000 — Interest	
Contractual Services	7,500
2005 — Extension Service	
Contractual Services	34,477
2025 — Employees Benefits	
Contractual Services	
Social Security	15,110
Maine State Retirement System	24,120
Group Insurance	10,115
Workman's Compensation	5,000
2060 — Airports — Maintenance	
Contractual Services	10,000
2080 — Contingent Account	
Contractual Services	15,000
2090 — Miscellaneous and County Sponsored Programs	
Contractual Services	
Officers Bonds	1,000
Threshold to Maine	200
A.V.R.P.C.	1,500
Food Stamps	18,600
Home for Mentally Retarded (Rumford)	10,000
Public Officials Insurance	1,800
Western Maine Transportation	9,819
Southern Oxford County Assoc. for Retarded Citizens	7,500
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$643,129

; and be it further

Sec. 3. Revenue sharing expenditures authorized. Resolved: That the following additional sums, based on the county budget filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, are authorized as expenditures by the county during

the calendar year 1977, from federal revenue sharing funds received by the county, in the specific total amounts of expenditures for personal services, contractual services, commodities and capital expenditures for the accounts in the county budget:

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
1065 — Register of Deeds (West)	
Capital Expenditures	\$ 4,000
1075 — Sheriff	
Personal Services	65,000
2075 — Capital Reserve — Bridges	
Contractual Services	22,500
TOTAL REVENUE SHARING	<u>\$91,500</u>

; and be it further

Sec. 4. Antirecessional fiscal assistance expenditures authorized. Resolved: That the following additional sums, based on the county budget filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, are authorized as expenditures by the county during the calendar year 1977, from Antirecessional Fiscal Assistance Funds received by the county, in specific total amounts of expenditures for personal services, contractual services, commodities and capital expenditures for the accounts in the county budget:

Appropriation Account Number	Appropriations
Unnumbered Account — Structural Repairs	
Capital Expenditures	<u>\$29,500</u>
TOTAL ANTIRECESSIONAL FISCAL ASSISTANCE	\$29,500

; and be it further

Sec. 5. Summary. Resolved: That the figures appearing in this resolve represent the total amount of taxes and the total specific expenditures authorized for the year 1977.

The following is a summary of receipts and appropriations:

Total Expenditures	\$764,129
Available Credits	
Transfer from Surplus	\$ 1,565
Estimated Revenue	93,940
Federal Revenue Sharing	91,500

Antirecessional Fiscal Assistance	29,500	
Total Available Credits		<u>296,505</u>
Amount to be raised by taxation		<u>\$467,624</u>

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

Effective May 18, 1977

CHAPTER 16

RESOLVE, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Piscataquis County for the Year 1977.

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

Whereas, Piscataquis County has certain expenses and liabilities which must be met as they become due; and

Whereas, it is necessary that the taxes for the year 1977 hereinafter mentioned be immediately assessed in order to provide the required revenue for the county; 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

Sec. 1. Piscataquis County; taxes apportioned. Resolved: That the following sum is hereby granted as a tax on Piscataquis County to be apportioned, assessed, collected and applied to the purposes of paying debts and necessary expenses of the county as authorized herein, and for other purposes of law, for the calendar year 1977:

1977 Tax

\$240,188

; and be it further

Sec. 2. General Fund expenditures authorized. Resolved: That the following sums, based on the county budget filed in the Office of the Secretary of State, are authorized as General Fund expenditures by the county during the calendar year 1977, in the specific total amounts of expenditures for personal services, contractual services, commodities and capital expenditures for each account in the county budget: