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Farmington at the next previous gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the Town of Farmington and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State. If accepted by the inhabitants of the Town of Farmington, a copy of this Act shall be filed in the Franklin County registry of deeds by the Secretary of State on the date that it becomes effective.

Approved by the Governor March 6, 1979

CHAPTER 5

H. P. 160 — L. D. 188

AN ACT Relating to the Transfer of the Planning and Development Functions of the Urban Renewal Authority of the City of Bangor.

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

P&SL 1957, c. 168, § 6, is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

The Authority may also transfer its planning and development functions, including, but not limited to, design review and site plan review, for specific parcels to the City of Bangor or such planning and development review committees as the Bangor City Council may designate from time to time; provided, the redevelopment of the parcels shall still be in accordance with the applicable urban renewal plan.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 6

H. P. 638 — L. D. 764

AN ACT Converting Mount Chase Plantation into the Town of Mount Chase.

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

Whereas, the voters of Mount Chase Plantation are desirous of holding a referendum to determine whether Mount Chase Plantation should be converted into the Town of Mount Chase; and

Whereas, if the voters approve the referendum, it is desirable to organize the new town government as soon as possible so that the new Town of Mount Chase

may begin to govern itself in a manner that a majority of the voters have chosen; and

Whereas, the actual incorporation cannot be accomplished until the provision of this Act takes effect; 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. Town of Mount Chase, incorporated. Mount Chase Plantation, with its inhabitants, is incorporated into a town by the name of Mount Chase. The inhabitants of this town are vested with the powers, privileges and immunities which the inhabitants of towns within the State do or may enjoy. The town created shall take the effects belonging to Mount Chase Plantation and shall also assume all of its obligations.

Sec. 2. Legislative district. Until the next legislative apportionment of Representatives, the Town of Mount Chase shall remain in the same legislative district in which Mount Chase Plantation is now classed.

Sec. 3. First meeting; how called. Upon acceptance of this Act by referendum as provided in section 4, the board of assessors of the plantation shall issue a warrant, in accordance with the general laws, for the first town meeting, to be held within 2 years after passage of this Act. Notification of the town meeting shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State for determining the effective date of sections 1 and 2.

Sec. 4. Referendum; certificate to Secretary of State. The board of assessors of the plantation shall submit this Act to the legal voters within the territory embraced within the limits of the proposed Town of Mount Chase, by ballot at a regular or special election to be held within 2 years after passage of this Act. The board of assessors shall mail a notice of the referendum to each registered voter at least 3 weeks prior to the election. This election shall be called, advertised and conducted according to Title 30, sections 2061 and 2065. The plantation clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of sections 1 and 2 of this Act to the following question: "Shall Mount Chase Plantation be incorporated into the Town of Mount Chase?" The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the word "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This Act shall be approved by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election, provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of sections 1 and 2 of this Act at the election equaled or exceeded 50% of the total number of votes cast in the plantation for Governor at the last gubernatorial election.

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

Sec. 5. Effective date. In view of the emergency set out in the preamble, Section 3 of this Act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters at the election. Sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall take effect for all purposes hereof at the first town meeting.

Approved by the Governor March 9, 1979

CHAPTER 7

H. P. 266 — L. D. 343

AN ACT Relating to the Small Grants Program for Municipal Conservation Commissions.

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

P&SL 1973, c. 223, § 1, first sentence, is amended to read:

Each municipal conservation commission shall be restricted to **only one grant only during the program in any one fiscal year.**

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 8

H. P. 108 — L. D. 137

AN ACT to Increase the Limit on Bonded Indebtedness of the Eastport Port Authority From \$500,000 to \$6,000,000.

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

Whereas, the present powers of bonded indebtedness granted to the Eastport Port Authority are insufficient; and

Whereas, Eastport is vitally in need of economic stimulus, and improvement of wharves, docks and warehouses is immediately necessary; and

Whereas, it is desirable for the residents of Eastport to vote on this matter at the earliest possible moment; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency