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CHAPTER 27

H. P. 1252 — L. D. 1522

AN ACT to Protect the Retirement Benefits of Employees of the Greater Portland Public Development Commission and to Provide for the Disposition of its Assets upon Liquidation.

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

P&SL 1945, c. 123, § 7 is enacted to read:

Sec. 7. Disposition of Assets in Event of Termination of Operations. At such time as the Greater Portland Public Development Commission shall commence the final liquidation of its assets with a view toward terminating its operations, the commission shall request the Executive Director of the Maine State Retirement System to determine the liability of the commission to fund completely the payment of the accrued retirement benefits of the commission's current and retired employees, as of the date the commission indicates that the commission's current employees will have their employment terminated.

The Executive Director of the Maine State Retirement System shall determine the commission's liability as of that date and shall forward his determination of that amount to the commission. The commission shall, as soon as practicable, forward that amount to the Executive Director of the Maine State Retirement System, which shall accept that amount as complete and final funding for all accrued retirement benefits for which the commission is liable as of that date. Any funds of the commission remaining after this payment to the Maine State Retirement System and the payment of the commission's other liabilities and obligations shall be paid to the Treasurer of State to be added to the General Fund of the State.

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 28

H. P. 1334 — L. D. 1581

AN ACT to Extend until July 1, 1980, the Date for the Newport Water District to Purchase the Property of the Maine Water Company.

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

Whereas, the Newport Water District charter requires the water district to acquire the Maine Water Company by July 1, 1979; and

Whereas, the Newport Water District is still in negotiation with the Maine Water Company for acquisition of the company; and

Whereas, the negotiations are expected to continue beyond the July 1, 1979, deadline; 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:

P&SL 1975, c. 29, § 20, as last amended by P&SL 1977, c. 92, is further amended to read:

Sec. 20. Certain sections inoperative on failure to acquire Maine Water Company plant. If said water district shall fail to acquire before July 1, 1979 1980, by purchase or by right of eminent domain as in this Act provided, the plant, property, franchises, rights and privileges owned by the Maine Water Company and used or usable in supplying water to the Town of Newport, then this Act shall be inoperative, null and void.

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

Effective May 25, 1979

CHAPTER 29

H. P. 709 — L. D. 883

AN ACT to Return a Portion of Land to the Town of Wales by the Town of Sabattus.

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1977, c. 94 is repealed.

Sec. 2. Taxes. All taxes assessed after July 6, 1978 and before or on April 1,