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 P&SL 1977, c. 94 is repealed.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

1979, on real estate or personal property which was transferred from the Town of Wales to the Town of Sabattus by Private and Special Law 1977, chapter 94, shall be collected by and belong to the Town of Sabattus as if that real estate or personal property was still part of the Town of Sabattus.

Sec. 3. Referendum; certificate to Secretary of State. The municipal officers of Sabattus and Wales shall submit this Act to the legal voters of Sabattus and Wales, respectively, by ballot at a special election to be held in November 1979. This election shall be called, advertised and conducted according to Title 30, sections 2061 and 2065. The municipal clerk in each municipality 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 that portion of land annexed to Sabattus by Private and Special Law 1977, chapter 94, be returned to Wales?" 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 each municipality by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election in that municipality. The result of the vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of each municipality and due certificate shall be filed by the municipal clerks with the Secretary of State.

Sec. 4. Effective date. Sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the voters in each municipality as provided in section 3.

Approved by the Governor May 31, 1979

CHAPTER 30

H. P. 675 — L. D. 835

AN ACT to Amend the Charter of the Lucerne-in-Maine Village Corporation.

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1927, c. 43, § 2, as amended by P&SL 1937, c. 96, is further amended by adding at the end the following new sentences:

The total expenditures, within a fiscal year, shall not exceed the total appropriations made for that year by the voters at the annual winter meeting unless another village corporation meeting is held within the fiscal year at which additional appropriations are made. The overseers may make expenditures in excess of the total appropriation for any general category in the budget, such as general administration, protection or health; provided a reduction in expenditures in an equal dollar amount is made in another general category or other general categories in the budget. The excess expenditures in any one general category shall not exceed 10% of the appropriated amount for that general category. Notwithstanding the foregoing limitation the overseers may make excess