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STATE OF MAINE

REPORT

OF THE

ATTORNEY GENERAL

for the calendar years
1951 - 1954

September 17, 1954

To Albert S. Noyes, Bank Commissioner
Re: New York Thruway Bonds

You have asked this office whether or not "New York Thruway" bonds, guaranteed unconditionally as to principal and interest by the State of New York, could be construed to be legal investments for savings banks under the provisions of the first phrase in subsection II of Section 38 of Chapter 55, R. S. 1944, which reads as follows:

"In the bonds or other interest-bearing obligations of any state in the United States,".

William S. Webber, Vice President of the investment firm of Coffin & Burr, supplied this office with a prospectus of the bonds in question for our consideration and aid in answering the question propounded.

While we cannot, of course, give an opinion to the effect that all necessary steps have been taken in the State of New York with respect to the Thruway bonds, we are of the opinion that such bonds would not be improper investments under the above quoted section of our law, in the event all conditions precedent to the issuance of such bonds have been complied with.

JAMES GLYNN FROST
Deputy Attorney General

September 22, 1954

To Elmer Ingraham, Chief Warden, Inland Fisheries and Game
Re: Hopkins Pond; Chapter 126, Resolves of 1953

Senator Lloyd Dunham called at the office yesterday making an inquiry relative to the above mentioned Resolve.

It appears that your department has taken the position that the effect of this Resolve is to open only that part of Hopkins Pond which lies in the Town of Clifton and the County of Penobscot.

We feel that as a matter of law the purpose of the Resolve was to open the entire pond to ice fishing irrespective of whether it fell in Hancock or Penobscot County. We feel that the word, "in the town of Clifton, County of Penobscot," were merely descriptive of the general area in which Hopkins Pond was located, rather than being words of limitation.

I trust that you will be able to amend your rule and regulation relative to this pond . . . to be in accordance with this opinion.

ROGER A. PUTNAM
Assistant Attorney General

October 4, 1954

To Honorable Roswell P. Bates
Re: Blood Tests on Minors

. . . You inquire relative to the law concerning the right of a doctor to do a blood test on a minor who is held by a police department.