

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ELECTIONS - 1986
(NOV.)

Initiated Bill, Bond Issues and Proposed Constitutional Amendment

In Accordance with an Initiated Bill, Acts and
Resolution Passed by the 112th Legislature at the
Second Regular Session

Initiated Bill

- 1 Do you want to ban mandatory local measured phone service and direct the state to keep flat rate local phone service at as low a cost as possible?

Bond Issues

- 2 "Do you favor a \$16,000,000 bond issue to build, repair or renovate state correctional facilities?"
- 3 "Do you favor a \$12,000,000 bond issue to provide for sewer treatment facilities?"
- 4 "Shall a \$6,000,000 bond issue be approved for additional school construction projects to comply with the education reform law and for construction of an activity building at Augusta Mental Health Institute?"
- 5 "Do you favor a \$6,000,000 bond issue to provide funds to identify and correct asbestos problems in state facilities?"
- 6 Shall a \$10,000,000 bond issue be approved to provide for acquisition of land for coastal access, harbor improvements, Maine State Ferry improvements and improvements to the State's Marine Laboratory at McKown Point, Boothbay Harbor?
- 7 "Do you favor a \$3,100,000 bond issue to provide for armory expansion, rehabilitation and construction?"
- 8 "Shall a bond issue in the amount of \$5,000,000 be ratified for the purpose of acquiring wildlife habitat and land for public outdoor recreation?"
- 9 "Shall a bond issue in the amount of \$7,700,000 be approved to upgrade facilities in the University of Maine System?"

Constitutional Amendment

- 10 "Shall the Constitution of Maine be amended to improve the efficiency of the apportioning commission and to specify how the commission should operate?"



To be Voted Upon at the General Election, Tuesday,
November 4, 1986

RODNEY S. QUINN
Secretary of State

Referendum Election, November 4, 1986

The issuing of bonds by the State of Maine is the way in which the State borrows money for purposes designated in the legislation authorizing the issue. The following is a summary of the bonded indebtedness of the State of Maine as of June 30, 1986.

Bonds Outstanding and Unpaid to Mature Through 2008	\$289,830,000
Interest to be Repaid on Bonds Issued	<u>127,418,577</u>
Total to be Repaid on Bonds Issued	<u>\$417,248,577</u>
Additional Bonds Authorized But Not Yet Issued	\$ 83,610,000
Limit of Contingent Bonds Liability Authorized by Constitution and Laws But Unissued	<u>85,935,944</u>
Total Bonds Authorized But Unissued	<u>\$169,545,944</u>
Total Additional Bonds to be Authorized if Ratified by Voters	\$ 65,800,000
Potential New Estimate of Interest	\$ 22,623,750

When money is borrowed by issuing bonds, the State must repay not only the principal amount of the bonds but interest on that amount as well. The amount of interest to be paid will vary depending upon the rate of interest and the years of maturity at the time of issuance; an estimate of the total interest that may reasonably be expected to be paid on the issues submitted herewith for ratification is \$22,623,750 if the bonds are issued for the full statutory debt retirement period. The total principal and interest to be repaid over the life of the bonds on the issues submitted herewith if ratified is thus estimated to be \$88,423,750. The amount that must be paid in the present fiscal year (July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987) for debt already outstanding is \$36,245,000 in principal and \$20,117,470 in interest, a total of \$56,362,470.

Samuel Shapiro
Treasurer of State

State of Maine

TO THE 112th LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MAINE:

In accordance with Section 18 of Article IV, Part Third of the Constitution of the State of Maine, the undersigned electors of the State of Maine, qualified to vote for Governor, residing in this State, whose names have been certified, hereby respectfully propose to the Legislature for its consideration the following entitled bill:

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT MANDATORY LOCAL MEASURED SERVICE AND TO PRESERVE AFFORDABLE TRADI-

TIONAL FLAT RATE LOCAL TELEPHONE SERVICE AT AS LOW A COST AS POSSIBLE.

The full text of this Act is printed on page 1 of this petition below.

DO YOU WANT TO BAN MANDATORY LOCAL MEASURED PHONE SERVICE AND DIRECT THE STATE TO KEEP FLAT RATE LOCAL PHONE SERVICE AT AS LOW A COST AS POSSIBLE?

AN ACT to Prohibit Mandatory Local Measured Service and to Preserve Affordable Traditional Flat Rate Local Telephone Service at as Low a Cost as Possible.

35 MRSA § 80 is enacted to read:

§ 80. Mandatory local measured telephone service prohibited.

1. Mandatory measured service. Mandatory local measured telephone service is prohibited in the State.

2. Traditional Flat Rate Local service. The Public Utilities Commission shall establish rates for telephone companies which will preserve Traditional Flat Rate Local Telephone Service at as low a cost as possible allowing for unlimited local exchange calling for a single monthly fee as the standard phone service in the State for both business and residential customers. Flat rate service with unlimited local calling shall be described by the telephone company as the "standard" service in all its communications with the public and the Public Utilities Commission. Any other local calling service shall be described as an "optional" service.

3. Standard. In any proceeding before the Supreme Judicial Court or the Public Utilities Commission to review the reasonableness and lawfulness of a local telephone rate approved by the Public Utilities Commission, it shall be presumed that any rate which results in less than 3/4 of the residential customers maintaining standard flat rate service in those exchanges offering optional measured service is in violation of subsection 2, requiring the Public Utilities Commission to establish a rate structure which will preserve Traditional Flat Rate Local Service at as low a cost as possible. The presumption established in this subsection may be overcome by clear and convincing evidence that no reasonable alternative rate could be implemented which will maintain 3/4 of the residential customers as standard flat rate customers.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill is designed to provide Traditional Flat Rate Local Telephone Service at as low a cost as possible and bans mandatory local measured service.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, written petitions bearing the signatures of 53,060 electors of this State, which number is in excess of ten percent of the total vote cast in the last gubernatorial election preceding the filing of such petitions, as required by Article IV, Part Third, Section 18 of the Constitution of the State of Maine, were addressed to the Legislature of the State within twenty-five days after the convening of the One Hundred and Twelfth Legislature in Second Regular Session, requesting that the Legislature consider a bill entitled: "AN ACT to Prohibit Mandatory Local Measured Service and to Preserve Affordable Traditional Flat Rate Local Telephone Service at as Low a Cost as Possible;" and

WHEREAS, the initiated bill was referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities who held a hearing on March 12, 1986. On March 25, 1986 the House of Representatives, on a roll call vote, accepted the majority "Ought Not to Pass" report and on March 26, 1986 the State Senate accepted the majority "Ought Not to Pass" report, thus the bill failed enactment; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Article IV, Part Third, Section 18 of the Constitution of Maine, such election must be held in November of the year in which the petition is filed, by proclamation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH E. BRENNAN, Governor of the State of Maine, acting under the provisions of Article IV, Part Third, Section 18 of the Constitution of Maine, do hereby proclaim that an election shall be called for the Tuesday following the first Monday in November, being the fourth day of the month, in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-six.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this twenty-second day of April in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-six.

JOSEPH E. BRENNAN
Governor

RODNEY S. QUINN
Secretary of State

Do you want to ban mandatory local measured phone service and direct the state to keep flat rate local phone service at as low a cost as possible?

INTENT AND CONTENT

The initiated legislation would prohibit compulsory local measured telephone service and require that flat rate telephone service, with unlimited local calling, be available to all Maine telephone users. Both flat rates and any optional measured service rates would continue to

be set by the state Public Utilities Commission, but the proposed law restricts the ratesetting authority of the Commission by establishing a legal presumption that the flat rate is too high if more than 25% of residential customers choose optional local measured service.

A "YES" vote approves the proposed law.

A "NO" vote disapproves the proposed law.

STATE OF MAINE

CHAPTER 142

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS of 1985

AN ACT to Authorize a General Bond Issue in the Amount of \$16,000,000 for Construction and Renovation of Correctional Facilities.

Preamble. Two-thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14, to authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine to provide funds for construction and renovation of correctional facilities.

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

Sec. 1. Authorization of bonds to provide funds for construction and renovation of correctional facilities. The Treasurer of State is authorized, under the direction of the Governor, to issue from time to time registered bonds in the name and behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding \$16,000,000 for the purpose of raising funds to provide for construction and renovation of correctional facilities as authorized by section 6. The bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the full faith and credit of the State. The bonds shall not run for a longer period than 10 years from the date of the original issue of the bonds. Any issuance of bonds may contain a call feature at the discretion of the Treasurer of State with the approval of the Governor.

Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued to be kept by the State Auditor and Treasurer of State. The State Auditor shall keep an account of the bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date when payable and the date of delivery of the bonds to the Treasurer of State who shall keep an account of each bond showing the number of the bond, the name of the successful bidder to whom sold, the amount received for the same, the date of sale and the date when payable.

Sec. 3. Sale; how negotiated; proceeds appropriated. The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale of the bonds by direction of the Governor, but no such bond may be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds, which shall be held by the Treasurer of State and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the Governor, are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Act. Any unencumbered balances remaining at the completion of the project in section 6 shall

lapse to the debt service account established for the retirement of these bonds.

Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement. Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at maturity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State.

Sec. 5. Disbursement of proceeds of the bonds. The proceeds of the bonds shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the Commissioner of Administration after consultation with the Commissioner of Corrections.

Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue—state correctional facilities. The proceeds of the sale of bonds shall be expended as deemed necessary for building, repair or renovation of the following: Maine State Prison, Maine Correctional Center and other state correctional facilities. No money may be expended until the proceeds of the sale of bonds are allocated by the 113th Legislature.

Sec. 7. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. Sections 1 to 6 shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

Sec. 8. Bonds authorized but not issued. Any bonds authorized but not issued, or for which bond anticipation notes have not been issued within 5 years of the ratification of this Act, shall be deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation notes for an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 years.

Sec. 9. Appropriation balances at year end. At the end of each fiscal year, all unencumbered appropriation balances representing state money shall carry forward from year to year. Bond proceeds which have not been expended within 10 years after the date of the sale of the bonds shall lapse to General Fund debt service.

Sec. 10. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at general election; form of question; effective date. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next general election in the month of November following passage of this Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

“Do you favor a \$16,000,000 bond issue to build, repair or renovate state correctional facilities?”

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question, and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word “Yes” or “No.” The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal voters are in favor of the Act, the Governor

shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act shall become effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

Approved June 11, 1986

INTENT AND CONTENT

This Act would authorize the State to issue registered bonds in an amount not to exceed \$16,000,000 to raise funds for construction and renovation of correctional facilities. The bonds would run for a period of not longer than 10 years from the date of issue and would be backed by the full faith and credit of the State.

The proceeds from the sale of the bonds would be used to improve state correctional facilities as directed by the 1987-1988 Legislature. The proceeds would be expended under the direction of Commissioner of Administration after consultation with the Commissioner of Corrections.

If approved, the bond authorization would take effect thirty days after the Governor's proclamation of the vote.

A statement of the Treasurer describing the financial considerations of this bond issue is published together with this statement.

A “YES” vote approves authorization of a \$16,000,000 bond issue for state correctional facilities.

A “NO” vote disapproves the bond issue.

Total Estimated Debt Service of \$21,940,000 of which Principal is \$16,000,000, Estimated Interest of 6.75% over 10 years is \$5,940,000.

STATE OF MAINE

CHAPTER 121

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS of 1985

AN ACT to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$12,000,000 for Sewer Treatment Facilities.

Preamble. Two thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14, to authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine to provide funds for sewer treatment facilities.

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

Sec. 1. Authorization of bonds to provide for sewer treatment facilities and storage of road salt and sand. The Treasurer of State is authorized, under the direction of the Governor, to issue from time to time registered bonds in the name and behalf of the State to an amount

not exceeding \$12,000,000, for the purpose of raising funds to provide for sewer treatment facilities and storage of road salt and sand as authorized by section 6. The bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the full faith and credit of the State. The bonds shall not run for a longer period than 15 years from the date of the original issue of the bonds. Any issuance of bonds may contain a call feature at the discretion of the Treasurer of State with the approval of the Governor.

Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued to be kept by the State Auditor and Treasurer of State. The State Auditor shall keep an account of the bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date when payable and the date of delivery of the bonds to the Treasurer of State who shall keep an account of each bond showing the number of the bond, the name of the successful bidder to whom sold, the amount received for the same, the date of sale and the date when payable.

Sec. 3. Sale; how negotiated; proceeds appropriated. The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale of the bonds by direction of the Governor, but no such bond may be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds, which shall be held by the Treasurer of State and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the State Controller, are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Act. Any unencumbered balances remaining at the completion of the project in section 6 shall lapse to the debt service account established for the retirement of these bonds.

Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement. Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at maturity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State.

Sec. 5. Disbursement of bonds proceeds. The proceeds of the bonds set out in section 6 shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the Commissioner of Environmental Protection.

Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue. The proceeds of the sale of bonds shall be expended as designated in the following schedule.

Sewer treatment facilities	\$12,000,000
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Sec. 7. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. Sections 1 to 6 shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

Sec. 8. Appropriation balances at year end; lapse of unused bonds. At the end of each fiscal year, all unencumbered appropriation balances representing state money shall carry forward from year to year. Bond proceeds which have not been expended within 10 years after the date of the sale of the bonds shall lapse to General Fund debt service.

Sec. 9. Bonds authorized but not issued. Any bonds authorized, but not issued, or for which bond anticipation notes have not been issued within 5 years of the ratification of this Act, shall be deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation notes for

an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 years.

Sec. 10. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at general election; form of question; effective date. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next general election in the month of November following passage of this Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

“Do you favor a \$12,000,000 bond issue to provide for sewer treatment facilities?”

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question, and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word “Yes” or “No.” The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal voters are in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act shall become effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

Approved April 24, 1986

INTENT AND CONTENT

This Act would authorize the State to issue registered bonds in an amount not to exceed \$12,000,000 to raise funds for sewage treatment facilities. The bonds would run for a period of not longer than 15 years from the date of issue and would be backed by the full faith and credit of the State.

The proceeds from the sale of the bonds would be used to provide for sewage treatment facilities. The proceeds would be expended under the direction of Commissioner of Environmental Protection.

If approved, the bond authorization would take effect thirty days after the Governor's proclamation of the vote.

A statement of the Treasurer describing the financial considerations of this bond issue is published together with this statement.

A “YES” vote approves authorization of a \$12,000,000 bond issue for sewage treatment facilities.

A “NO” vote disapproves the bond issue.

Total Estimated Debt Service of \$18,300,000 of which Principal is \$12,000,000, Estimated Interest at 7.00% over 15 years is \$6,300,000.

STATE OF MAINE

CHAPTER 122

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS of 1985

AN ACT to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$6,000,000 to Provide Funds for School Construction Costs to Meet the Requirements of the Education Reform Act and for the Construction of an Activity Building at Augusta Mental Health Institute.

Preamble. Two thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14, to authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine to provide funds for additional school construction funding and for construction of an activity building at the Augusta Mental Health Institute.

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

Sec. 1. Authorization of bonds to provide for school construction and construction of an activity building at the Augusta Mental Health Institute. The Treasurer of State is authorized to issue from time to time registered bonds in the name and behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding \$6,000,000 for the purpose of raising funds for additional school construction projects necessitated as a result of requirements established by Public Law 1983, chapter 859 and for the construction of an activity building at the Augusta Mental Health Institute. The bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the full faith and credit of the State. The bonds shall not run for a longer period than 5 years from the date of the original issue of the bonds. Any issuance of bonds may contain a call feature at the discretion of the Treasurer of State with the approval of the Governor.

Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued to be kept by the State Auditor and Treasurer of State. The State Auditor shall keep an account of the bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date when payable and the date of delivery of the bonds to the Treasurer of State who shall keep an account of each bond showing the number of the bond, the name of the successful bidder to whom sold, the amount received for the same, the date of sale and the date when payable.

Sec. 3. Sale; how negotiated; proceeds appropriated. The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale of the bonds by direction of the Governor, but no such bond may be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds, which shall be held by the Treasurer of State and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the State Controller, are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Act. Any unencumbered balances remaining at the completion of the project in section 6 shall lapse to the debt service account established for the retirement of these bonds.

Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement. Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at maturity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State.

Sec. 5. Disbursement of bonds proceeds. The proceeds of the bonds set out in section 6, subsection 1 shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the State Board of Education. Those proceeds set out in section 6, subsection 2, shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the Director of Public Improvements.

Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue. The proceeds of the sale of bonds shall be expended as designated in the following schedule:

1. School construction projects. \$5,000,000

Proceeds of the sale of bonds shall be allocated to the account established under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15914, subsection 2. Funds allocated pursuant to this Act shall first be used to pay the state share of new school construction projects which are found by the state board to be required in order to comply with minimum requirements established by Public Law 1983, chapter 864. Remaining fund shall be used to meet other priority school construction needs.

2. Activity building—Augusta Mental Health Institute \$1,000,000

Sec. 7. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. Sections 1 to 6 shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

Sec. 8. Appropriation balances at year end. At the end of each fiscal year, all unencumbered appropriation balances representing state money shall carry forward from year to year. Bond proceeds which have not been expended within 10 years after the date of the sale of the bonds shall lapse to General Fund debt service.

Sec. 9. Bonds authorized but not issued. Any bonds authorized but not issued, or for which bond anticipation notes have not been issued within 5 years of the ratification of this Act, shall be deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation notes for an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 years.

Sec. 10. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at general election; form of question; effective date. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next general election in the month of November following passage of this Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

“Shall a \$6,000,000 bond issue be approved for additional school construction projects to comply with the education reform law and for construction of an activity building at Augusta Mental Health Institute?”

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question, and shall designate their choice by a cross or check

mark placed within a corresponding square below the word "Yes" or "No." The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal voters are in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act shall become effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

Approved April 24, 1986

INTENT AND CONTENT

This Act would authorize the State to issue registered bonds in an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000 to raise funds for the state share of school construction required by the 1983 Education Reform Act, and for construction of an activity building at the Augusta Mental Health Institute. The bonds would run for a period of not longer than 5 years from the date of issue and would be backed by the full faith and credit of the State.

Five million dollars of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds would be used to fund the state share of school construction projects, under the direction of the State Board of Education. One million dollars of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds would be used to fund construction of an activity building at the Augusta Mental Health Institute under the direction of the State Director of Public Improvements.

If approved, the bond authorization would take effect thirty days after the Governor's proclamation of the vote.

A statement of the Treasurer describing the financial considerations of this bond issue is published together with this statement.

A "YES" vote approves authorization of a \$6,000,000 bond issue for construction of school facilities and new facilities at the Augusta Mental Health Institute.

A "NO" vote disapproves the bond issue.

Total Estimated Debt, Service of \$6,862,500 of which Principal is \$6,000,000, Estimated Interest at 5.75% over 5 years is \$862,500.

STATE OF MAINE

CHAPTER 140

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS of 1985

AN ACT to Authorize a Bond Issue in the Amount of \$6,000,000 to Deal with Asbestos in State Facilities.

Preamble. Two-thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14, to authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine to provide funds to identify and correct asbestos problems in State facilities.

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

Sec. 1. Authorization of bonds to provide funds to correct asbestos problems in State facilities. The Treasurer of State is authorized, under the direction of the Governor, to issue from time to time registered bonds in the name and behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding \$6,000,000 for the purpose of raising funds to identify and correct asbestos problems in State facilities as authorized by section 6. The bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the full faith and credit of the State. The bonds shall not run for a longer period than 5 years from the date of the original issue of the bonds. Any issuance of bonds may contain a call feature at the discretion of the Treasurer of State with the approval of the Governor.

Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued to be kept by the State Auditor and Treasurer of State. The State Auditor shall keep an account of the bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date when payable and the date of delivery of the bonds to the Treasurer of State who shall keep an account of each bond showing the number of the bond, the name of the successful bidder to whom sold, the amount received for the bonds, the date of sale and the date when payable.

Sec. 3. Sale; how negotiated; proceeds appropriated. The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale of the bonds by direction of the Governor, but no such bond may be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds, which shall be held by the Treasurer of State and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the State Controller, are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Act. Any unencumbered balances remaining at the completion of the project in section 6 shall lapse to the debt service account established for the retirement of these bonds.

Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement. Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under the provisions of this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at maturity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State.

Sec. 5. Disbursement of proceeds of the bonds. The proceeds of the bonds set out in section 6 shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the Commissioner of Administration.

The commissioner shall immediately upon ratification commence a survey of all state facilities. The survey shall identify asbestos and its condition as well as provide the necessary information to plan removal or containment of asbestos. The commissioner and the labor-management committee shall use this survey to develop a plan for the removal and containment of asbestos in state facilities. The survey and the plan shall be submitted to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs.

The Legislature may at its discretion adopt as submitted or modify this plan. Thereafter, the commissioner and the labor-management committee shall report annually to the Legislature as to the implementation of the plan and the expenditure of the remaining funds raised by the bond issue.

Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue—asbestos in state facilities. The proceeds of the sale of bonds shall be expended as designated in the following schedule:

Identification and Correction of Asbestos in State facilities	\$6,000,000
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Sec. 7. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. Sections 1 to 6 shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

Sec. 8. Bonds authorized but not issued. Any bonds authorized but not issued, or for which bond anticipation notes have not been issued within 5 years of the ratification of this Act, shall be deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation notes for an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 years.

Sec. 9. Appropriation balances at year end. At the end of each fiscal year, all unencumbered appropriation balances representing state money shall carry forward from year to year. Bond proceeds which have not been expended within 10 years after the date of the sale of the bonds shall lapse to General Fund debt service.

Sec. 10. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at general election; form of question; effective date. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next general election in the month of November following passage of this Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

“Do you favor a \$6,000,000 bond issue to provide funds to identify and correct asbestos problems in state facilities?”

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question, and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word “Yes” or “No.” The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the

Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal voters are in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act shall become effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

Approved June 6, 1986

INTENT AND CONTENT

This Act would authorize the State to issue registered bonds in an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000 to raise funds to identify and correct asbestos problems in state facilities. The bonds would run for a period of not longer than 5 years from the date of issue and would be backed by the full faith and credit of the State.

The proceeds from the sale of the bonds would be used to survey and remove or contain asbestos from state facilities. The proceeds would be expended under the direction of Commissioner of Administration.

If approved, the bond authorization would take effect thirty days after the Governor’s proclamation of the vote.

A statement of the Treasurer describing the financial considerations of this bond issue is published together with this statement.

A “YES” vote approves authorization of a \$6,000,000 bond issue for asbestos containment or removal from state facilities.

A “NO” vote disapproves the bond issue.

Total Estimated Debt Service of \$6,862,500 of which Principal is \$6,000,000, Estimated Interest at 5.75% over 5 years is \$862,500.

STATE OF MAINE

CHAPTER 132

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS of 1985

AN ACT to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$10,000,000 for Coastal Access, Harbor Improvements, Maine State Ferry Improvements and Marine Laboratory Improvements.

Preamble. Two thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14, to authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine to provide funds for coastal access and marine laboratory improvements.

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

Sec. 1. Authorization of bonds to provide for coastal access, harbor improvements and marine laboratory improvements. The Treasurer of State is authorized, under the direction of the Governor, to issue from time to time registered bonds in the name and on behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding \$10,000,000, for the purpose of raising funds to provide for coastal access, harbor improvements, Maine State Ferry improvements and improvements to the Department of Marine Resources' Laboratory at McKown Point as authorized by section 6. The bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the full faith and credit of the State. The bonds shall not run for a longer period than 15 years from the date of the original issue of the bonds. Any issuance of bonds may contain a call feature at the discretion of the Treasurer of State with the approval of the Governor.

Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued to be kept by the State Auditor and Treasurer of State. The State Auditor shall keep an account of the bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date when payable and the date of delivery of the bonds to the Treasurer of State who shall keep an account of each bond showing the number of the bond, the name of the successful bidder to whom sold, the amount received for the bond, the date of sale and the date when payable.

Sec. 3. Sale, how negotiated; proceeds appropriated. The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale of the bonds by direction of the Governor, but no such bond may be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds, which shall be held by the Treasurer of State and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the State Controller, are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Act. Any unencumbered balances remaining at the completion of the projects in section 6 shall lapse to the debt service account established for the retirement of these bonds.

Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement. Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at maturity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State.

Sec. 5. Disbursement of bonds proceeds. The proceeds of the bonds set out in section 6 for coastal access and marine laboratory improvements shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the Director of Public Improvements while those for harbor improvements and Maine State Ferry improvements shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the Commissioner of Transportation.

Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue—coastal access, harbor improvements, Maine State Ferry improvements and marine laboratory improvements. The proceeds of the sale of bonds shall be expended as designated in the following schedule.

Acquisition and development of land for coastal access	\$3,250,000
Harbor improvements	4,000,000
Maine State Ferry improvements	2,000,000
Improvements to Marine Laboratory at McKown Point, Boothbay Harbor	750,000
Total	\$10,000,000

Sec. 7. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. Sections 1 to 6 shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

Sec. 8. Appropriation balances at year end. At the end of each fiscal year, all unencumbered appropriation balances representing state money shall carry forward from year to year. Bond proceeds which have not been expended within 10 years after the date of the sale of the bonds shall lapse to General Fund debt service.

Sec. 9. Bonds authorized but not issued. Any bonds authorized, but not issued, or for which bond anticipation notes have not been issued within 5 years of the ratification of this Act, shall be deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation notes for an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 years.

Sec. 10. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at statewide election; form of question; effective date. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next general election in the month of November following passage of this Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

Shall a \$10,000,000 bond issue be approved to provide for acquisition of land for coastal access, harbor improvements, Maine State Ferry improvements and improvements to the State's Marine Laboratory at McKown Point, Boothbay Harbor?

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word "Yes" or "No." The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal voters are in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay and the Act shall become effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

Approved April 25, 1986

INTENT AND CONTENT

This Act would authorize the State to issue registered bonds in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 to raise funds for coastal access, harbor improvements, State Ferry Improvements and marine research laboratory improvements. The bonds would run for a period of not longer than 15 years from the date of issue and would be backed by the full faith and credit of the State.

The proceeds from the sale of the bonds would be used to acquire and develop land to provide access to the coast (\$3,250,000); harbor improvements (\$4,000,000); Maine State Ferry improvements (\$2,000,000); marine research laboratory improvements (\$750,000). The proceeds would be expended under the direction of the State Director of Public Improvements (coastal access and laboratory improvements) or the Commissioner of Transportation (harbor and ferry improvements).

If approved, the bond authorization would take effect thirty days after the Governor's proclamation of the vote.

A statement of the Treasurer describing the financial considerations of this bond issue is published together with this statement.

A "YES" vote approves authorization of a \$10,000,000 bond issue for coastal access and harbor, state ferry and marine laboratory improvements.

A "NO" vote disapproves the bond issue.

Total Estimated Debt Service of \$15,250,000 of which Principal is \$10,000,000, Estimated Interest at 7.00% over 15 years is \$5,250,000.

STATE OF MAINE

CHAPTER 123

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS of 1985

AN ACT to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$3,100,000 for Armory Expansion, Rehabilitation and Construction.

Preamble. Two thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14, to authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine to provide funds for armory expansion.

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

Sec. 1. Authorization of bonds to provide for armory expansion, rehabilitation and construction. The Treasurer of State is authorized, under the direction of the Governor, to issue from time to time registered bonds in the name and behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding \$3,100,000, for the purpose of raising funds to provide for armory expansion, rehabilitation and construction as authorized by section 6. The bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the full faith and credit of the State. The bonds shall not run for a longer period than 5 years from the date of the original issue of the bonds. Any issuance of bonds may contain a call feature at the discretion of the Treasurer of State with the approval of the Governor.

Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued to be kept by the State Auditor and Treasurer of State. The State Auditor shall keep an account of the bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date when

payable and the date of delivery of the bonds to the Treasurer of State who shall keep an account of each bond showing the number of the bond, the name of the successful bidder to whom sold, the amount received for the bond, the date of sale and the date when payable.

Sec. 3. Sale, how negotiated; proceeds appropriated. The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale of the bonds by direction of the Governor, but no such bond shall be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds, which shall be held by the Treasurer of State and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the State Controller, are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Act. Any unencumbered balances remaining at the completion of the project in section 6 shall lapse to the debt service account established for the retirement of these bonds.

Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement. Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at maturity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State.

Sec. 5. Disbursement of bonds proceeds. The proceeds of the bonds set out in section 6 shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the State Director of Public Improvements.

Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue—armory expansion, improvements and construction. The proceeds of the sale of bonds shall be expended as designated in the following schedule.

Armory Expansion, Improvements and Construction	\$3,100,000
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It is Legislative intent that the funds provided by this section shall be matched with 75% of federal funds. If federal funds are not available, the state funds shall not be expended.

Sec. 7. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. Sections 1 to 6 shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

Sec. 8. Appropriation balances at year end. At the end of each fiscal year, all unencumbered appropriation balances representing state money shall carry forward from year to year. Bond proceeds which have not been expended within 10 years after the date of the sale of the bonds shall lapse to General Fund debt service.

Sec. 9. Bonds authorized but not issued. Any bonds authorized but not issued, or for which bond anticipation notes have not been issued within 5 years of the ratification of this Act, shall be deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation notes for an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 years.

Sec. 10. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at general election; form of question; effective date. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next general election in the month of November following passage of this Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall

notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

"Do you favor a \$3,100,000 bond issue to provide for armory expansion, rehabilitation and construction?"

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question, and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word "Yes" or "No." The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as voters for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal voters are in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act shall become effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

Approved April 24, 1986

INTENT AND CONTENT

This Act would authorize the State to issue registered bonds in an amount not to exceed \$3,100,000 to raise funds for armory expansion, improvement and construction. The bonds would run for a period of not longer than 5 years from the date of issue and would be backed by the full faith and credit of the State.

The proceeds from the sale of the bonds would be used to fund the state's share of armory expansion, improvement and construction projects. The proceeds would be expended under the direction of the State Director of Public Improvements.

If approved, the bond authorization would take effect thirty days after the Governor's proclamation of the vote.

A statement of the Treasurer describing the financial considerations of this bond issue is published together with this statement.

A "YES" vote approves authorization of a \$3,100,000 bond issue for armory construction and improvements.

A "NO" vote disapproves the bond issue.

Total Estimated Debt Service of \$3,545,625 of which Principal is \$3,100,000, Estimated Interest at 5.75% over 5 years is \$445,625.

STATE OF MAINE

CHAPTER 138

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS of 1985

AN ACT to Authorize the Issuance of a Bond not Exceeding \$5,000,000 for the Financing of the Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Acquisition Fund.

Preamble. Two-thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the State, the proceeds of which to be credited to the Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Acquisition Fund.

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

Sec. 1. Intent and purpose. The State recognizes the importance of its wildlife resources and further recognizes the importance of habitat in maintaining an abundance and variety of wildlife species.

The Legislature realizes that industrial and residential development is fast claiming many natural areas necessary for the survival of our wildlife and that areas accessible and open to the public are also disappearing.

The Legislature, having authorized the Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Acquisition Fund through a bond issue in 1973, finds it necessary to continue the work of the fund in order to preserve this natural heritage for the future use, enjoyment and spiritual well-being of our citizens.

Sec. 2. Acquisition of interests in land and water. The Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall from time to time acquire on behalf of the State lands and water or any interest therein by gift, devise, lease or purchase. Money from the fund established may be used for the lands and waters or rights therein and any incidental expenses incurred in the acquisition of the land, waters and rights.

Sec. 3. Considerations. In making acquisitions of interest in lands and waters, the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall consider and place importance upon future as well as present needs for wintering, resting, feeding and nesting areas for wildlife as well as areas where those interested in fish and wildlife may have access. These acquisitions may include, but are not limited to, deer yards, salt marshes, fresh marshes, stream borders, nesting islands, habitats for rare and endangered species, dams, water rights, public access to great ponds and abandoned farms.

Sec. 4. Rules. The commissioner may from time to time establish rules with respect to any such acquisition as he may deem necessary.

Sec. 5. Improvements. The commissioner may carry on any development work he feels necessary for the enhancement of the value of any acquisition for wildlife and that development work may be paid out of the proceeds of the fund.

Sec. 6. Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Acquisition Fund. The bonds authorized by this Act shall be credited to the Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Acquisition Fund and expenditures may be made as authorized by this Act to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Sec. 7. Issue of bonds. The Treasurer of State may, under the direction of the Governor, issue from time to time registered bonds in the name and behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding \$5,000,000 for the purposes of this Act. These bonds shall be deemed a pledged of the faith and credit of the State. The bonds shall not run for a longer period than 10 years from the date of the original issue of the bonds. The Treasurer of State may invest the proceeds of the sale of the bonds during the period when the proceeds are not needed for the purposes set forth in this Act and the interest shall be paid into the General Fund.

Sec. 8. Records of bonds issued to be kept by State Auditor and Treasurer of State. The State Auditor shall keep an account of the bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date when payable and the date of delivery of the bonds to the Treasurer of State, who shall keep an account of each bond, showing the number of the bonds, the name of the person to whom sold, the amount received for the bond, the date of sale and the date when payable.

Sec. 9. Sale; how negotiated; proceeds appropriated. The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale of bonds by direction of the Governor, but no such bond may be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sales of the bonds, which shall be credited to the Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Acquisition Fund and which shall be held by the Treasurer of State and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the Governor, are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Act.

Sec. 10. Interest and debt retirement. Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at maturity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State from any money in the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 11. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. Sections 1 to 10 of this Act shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State shall have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

Sec. 12. Lapse of unused bonds. Bond proceeds from the sale of bonds under this Act which have not been expended 10 years after the date of the sale of the bonds shall lapse to General Fund debt service.

Sec. 13. Bonds authorized but not issued. Any bonds authorized but not issued, or for which bond anticipation notes have not been issued within 5 years of the ratification of this Act, shall be deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation notes for an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 years.

Sec. 14. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at general election; form of question; effective date. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next general

election in the month of November following passage of this Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

“Shall a bond issue in the amount of \$5,000,000 be ratified for the purpose of acquiring wildlife habitat and land for public outdoor recreation?”

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question, and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word “Yes” or “No.” The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal votes are in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act shall become effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

Sec. 15. Secretary of State shall prepare ballots. The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

Approved June 6, 1986

INTENT AND CONTENT

This Act would authorize the State to issue registered bonds in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 to raise funds for the acquisition of lands, waters and rights for wildlife protection. The bonds would run for a period of not longer than 10 years from the date of issue and would be backed by the full faith and credit of the State.

The proceeds from the sale of the bonds would be used to acquire lands, waters, and rights for wildlife protection. The proceeds would be expended under the direction of Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

If approved, the bond authorization would take effect thirty days after the Governor's proclamation of the vote.

A statement of the Treasurer describing the financial considerations of this bond issue is published together with this statement.

A “YES” vote approves authorization of a \$5,000,000 bond issue for wildlife protection.

A “NO” vote disapproves the bond issue.

Total Estimated Debt Service of \$6,856,250 of which Principal is \$5,000,000, Estimated Interest at 6.75 % over 10 years is \$1,856,250.

STATE OF MAINE

CHAPTER 139

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS of 1985

AN ACT to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$7,700,000 for Various Projects at the University of Maine.

Preamble. Two-thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14, to authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine to provide funds for various projects at the University of Maine.

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

Sec. 1. Authorization of bonds to provide for various projects at the University of Maine. The Treasurer of State is authorized, under the direction of the Governor, to issue from time to time registered bonds in the name and on behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding \$7,700,000 for the purpose of raising funds to provide for various projects at the University of Maine as authorized by section 6. The bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the full faith and credit of the State. The bonds shall not run for a longer period than 5 years from the date of the original issue of the bonds. Any issuance of bonds may contain a call feature at the discretion of the Treasurer of State with the approval of the Governor.

Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued to be kept by the State Auditor and Treasurer of State. The State Auditor shall keep an account of the bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date when payable and the date of delivery of the bonds to the Treasurer of State who shall keep an account of each bond showing the number of the bond, the name of the successful bidder to whom sold, the amount received for the bonds, the date of sale and the date when payable.

Sec. 3. Sale, how negotiated; proceeds appropriated. The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale of the bonds by direction of the Governor, but no such bond may be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds, which shall be held by the Treasurer of State and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the State Controller, are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Act. Any unencumbered balances remaining at the completion of the project in section 6 shall lapse to the debt service account established for the retirement of these bonds.

Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement. Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at maturity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State.

Sec. 5. Disbursement of bonds proceeds. The proceeds of the bonds set out in section 6 shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the trustees of the University of Maine.

Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue—projects at the University of Maine. The proceeds of the sale of bonds shall

be expended as designated in the following schedule.

University of Maine

\$7,700,000

Sec. 7. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. Sections 1 to 6 shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

Sec. 8. Appropriation balances at year end. At the end of each fiscal year, all unencumbered appropriation balances representing state money shall carry forward from year to year. Bond proceeds which have not been expended within 10 years after the date of the sale of the bonds shall lapse to General Fund debt service.

Sec. 9. Bonds authorized but not issued. Any bonds authorized, but not issued, or for which bond anticipation notes have not been issued within 5 years of the ratification of this Act, shall be deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation notes for an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 years.

Sec. 10. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at general election; form of question; effective date. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next general election in the month of November following passage of this Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

“Shall a bond issue in the amount of \$7,700,000 be approved to upgrade facilities in the University of Maine System?”

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question, and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word “Yes” or “No.” The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal voters are in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act shall become effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

Approved June 6, 1986

INTENT AND CONTENT

This Act would authorize the State to issue registered bonds in an amount not to exceed \$7,700,000 to raise funds for the University of Maine. The bonds would run for a period of not longer than 5 years from the date of issue and would be backed by the full faith and credit of the State.

The proceeds from the sale of the bonds would be used to fund various improvements at the University of Maine. The proceeds would be expended under the direction of trustees of the University of Maine.

If approved, the bond authorization would take effect thirty days after the Governor's proclamation of the vote.

A statement of the Treasurer describing the financial considerations of this bond issue is published together with this statement.

A "YES" vote approves authorization of a \$7,700,000 bond issue for the University of Maine.

A "NO" vote disapproves the bond issue.

Total Estimated Debt Service of \$8,806,875 of which Principal is \$7,700,000, Estimated Interest at 5.75% over 5 years is \$1,106,875.

CHAPTER 3

CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTION OF 1985

RESOLUTION, Proposing Amendments to the Constitution of Maine to Change the Reapportionment Procedures to Reflect Changes in Legislative Procedures and to Specify how the Reapportionment Commission Should Operate.

Constitutional amendment. RESOLVED: Two thirds of each branch of the Legislature concurring, that the following amendments to the Constitution of Maine be proposed:

Constitution, Article IV, Pt. 1, § 2 is amended to read:

Section 2. Number of Representatives; biennial terms; division of the State into districts for House of Representatives. The House of Representatives shall consist of 151 members, to be elected by the qualified electors, and hold their office 2 years from the day next preceding the first Wednesday in December following the general election. The Legislature which convenes in 1983 and every 10th year thereafter shall cause the State to be divided into districts for the choice of one Representative for each district. The number of Representatives shall be divided into the number of inhabitants of the State exclusive of foreigners not naturalized according to the latest Federal Decennial Census or a State Census previously ordered by the Legislature to coincide with the Federal Decennial Census, to determine a ~~median mean~~ population figure for each Representative District. Each Representative District shall be formed of contiguous and compact territory and shall cross political subdivision lines the least number of times necessary to establish as nearly as practicable equally populated districts. Whenever the population of a municipality entitles it to more than one district, all whole districts shall be drawn within municipal boundaries. Any population remainder within the municipality shall be included in a district ~~drawn to cross the municipal boundary, provided that such population remainder of the municipality~~

~~must be contiguous to another municipality or municipalities included in the district with contiguous territory and shall be kept intact.~~

Constitution, Article IV, Pt. 1, § 3, first ¶ is amended to read:

Section 3. The apportionment plan of the commission established under Article IV, Part Third, Section 1-A shall be submitted to the Clerk of the House no later than ~~90~~ 120 calendar days after the convening of the Legislature in which apportionment is required. In the preparation of legislation implementing the plan, the commission, following a unanimous decision by commission members, may adjust errors and inconsistencies in accordance with the standards set forth in this Constitution, so long as substantive changes are not made. The Legislature shall enact the submitted plan of the commission or a plan of its own by a vote of two thirds of the Members of each House within 30 calendar days after the plan of the commission is submitted. Such action shall be subject to the Governor's approval as provided in Article IV, Part Third, Section 2.

Constitution, Article IV, Pt. 2, § 2, 2nd ¶ is amended to read:

The apportionment plan of the commission established under Article IV, Part Third, Section 1-A shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Senate no later than ~~90~~ 120 calendar days after the convening of the Legislature in which apportionment is required. In the preparation of legislation implementing the plan, the commission, following a unanimous decision by commission members, may adjust errors and inconsistencies in accordance with the standards set forth in this Constitution, so long as substantive changes are not made. The Legislature shall enact the submitted plan of the commission or a plan of its own by a vote of two thirds of the Members of each House, within 30 calendar days after the plan of the commission is submitted. Such action shall be subject to the Governor's approval as provided in Article IV, Part Third, Section 2.

Constitution, Article IV, Pt. 3, § 1-A, 2nd ¶, 3rd sentence is amended to read:

No action ~~shall~~ may be taken without a quorum of ~~7~~ 8 being present.

Constitution, Article IV, Pt. 3, § 1-A, 3rd ¶ is amended to read:

Public members of the commission shall receive ~~compensation, as provided~~ the same rate of per diem that is paid to Legislators for every day's attendance at special sessions of the Legislature as defined by law. All members of the commission shall be reimbursed for actual travel expenses incurred in carrying out the business of the commission. The Legislature which is required to apportion shall ~~appropriate sufficient funds to compensate public members, to provide staff assistance to the commission, to provide travel expenses for all members and to provide for incidental expenses of the commission as needed to carry out its duties under this Constitution~~ establish a budget for the apportioning commission within the state budget document in the fiscal year previous to the fiscal year during which the apportioning commission is required to convene and shall appropriate sufficient funds for the commission to satisfactorily perform its duties and responsibilities. The budget shall include

sufficient funds to compensate the chairman of the commission and his staff. The remainder of the appropriation shall be made available equally among the political parties represented on the commission to provide travel expenses, incidental expenses and compensation for commission members and for partisan staff and operations.

Constitutional referendum procedure; form of question; effective date. Resolved: That the city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, at the next general election in the month of November following the passage of this resolution, to vote upon the ratification of the amendments proposed in this resolution by voting upon the following question:

“Shall the Constitution of Maine be amended to improve the efficiency of the apportioning commission and to specify how the commission should operate?”

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question, and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word “Yes” or “No.” The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal voters are in favor of the amendments, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay and the amendments shall become part of the Constitution on the date of the proclamation.

Secretary of State shall prepare ballots. Resolved: That the Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this resolution necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

Resolution according to Article X, Section 4 of the Constitution of the State of Maine.

Received in the office of the Secretary of State April 15, 1986.

INTENT AND CONTENT

The proposed Constitutional Amendments address the internal procedures governing the operation of the legislative Reapportionment Commission, which is directed by the Constitution to convene every tenth year and recommend to the Legislature a plan to redraw the lines between the political districts to reflect population changes throughout the State.

A technical error is corrected by describing the quotient of the division of the State's total citizen population by the number of House Districts as the “mean” rather than the “median” population of a district. The Commission would be barred from splitting a municipality into more districts, or parts of districts, than necessary, so that any population remaining in a municipality after as many full districts as possible had been created within the municipal boundaries would have to be placed in one district with adjoining territory outside the

municipality. The quorum for the 15 member commission is increased from 7 to 8. Control of the budget of the commission is divided between the two major parties represented, except for funds to compensate the commission chairman and staff. The substantive powers of the Commission are effectively unchanged by the amendments.

The amendments would also increase the time for the Commission to make its recommendations from 90 to 120 calendar days after the convening of the Legislature, which would create an incongruity with other constitutional provisions concerning reapportionment. Since the plain purpose of the change is to increase the time for the Commission to propose a reapportionment plan, it may be inferred that the existing provisions for legislative or judicial consideration of the plan were intended to remain unaffected. If so, the Legislature would continue to have 30 days to act on the Commission's recommendation, and the State Supreme Court would take responsibility for reapportionment only if the Legislature fails to adopt a plan within that time. As amended, however, the Constitution might be interpreted to require legislative action in as little as 10 days, if the Commission uses the full time allotted to it by the amendment.

A “YES” vote approves the Constitutional Amendments concerning reapportionment.

A “NO” vote disapproves the Amendments