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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Gardner of Orono.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-ONE

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**AN ACT Increasing Indebtedness of Town of Orono High School District.**

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

Whereas, the schools of the Town of Orono are badly overcrowded; and

Whereas, in order to best alleviate these unsatisfactory and overcrowded conditions it is necessary to construct a new school building to be used in conjunction with the present high school building to provide for 6 or more additional classrooms, an accredited high school library, additional space for expanded industrial arts, a cafeteria, a study hall, music and art rooms, and to make alterations in the present high school building; and

Whereas, it is vital that construction be commenced at the earliest possible time; and

Whereas, construction cannot be started until the necessary funds are available; 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. & S. L., 1949, c. 167, § 5, amended.** The first sentence of section 5 of chapter 167 of the private and special laws of 1949, as amended by chapter 23 of the private and special laws of 1953, is further amended to read as follows:

'To procure funds for the purposes of this act, the said district, by its trustees, is hereby authorized to issue its bonds or notes to an amount not exceeding the sum of ~~\$230,000~~ \$730,000.'

**Emergency clause; effective date; referendum.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the Town of Orono at any regular or special meeting called and held for the purpose not later than 4 months after the approval of this act. Such special meeting shall be called, advertised and conducted according to law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the board of registration of the Town of Orono shall not be required to prepare for posting nor the town clerk to post a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters, said board shall be in session 3 secular days next preceding such election, the first 2 days thereof to be devoted to registration of voters, and the last day to enable the board to verify the corrections of said lists and to complete and close up their records of said sessions. The town clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall the Act Increasing Indebtedness of Town of Orono High School District, passed by the 100th Legislature, be accepted?" The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same.

This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act at said meeting equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor in said town at the next previous gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote in said district shall be declared by the municipal officers of the Town of Orono and certificate thereof filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.