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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" TO H. P. 1154, L. D. 1625, Bill, "An Act to Incorporate the South Berwick Sewer District."

Amend said Bill in the first line of section 2 by inserting after the word "territory" the punctuation and words ', the remaining territory of the Town of South Berwick'

Further amend said Bill in section 4 by striking out the 4th line and inserting in place thereof the following: 'Company if acquired by it, said district by its board of trustees shall file for' and by striking out the semi-colon in the 4th line of the 2nd paragraph after the word "thereof"

Further amend said Bill in the last paragraph of section 7 by striking out the word "the" before the words "adjoining municipality" in the 3rd line and inserting in place thereof the word 'an'

Further amend said Bill in section 8 by adding after the word "mentioned" in the 15th line the words 'companies or their' and by striking out in the 38th line from the end, after the word "fixed", the punctuation and words ",from which date interest on said award shall run,"

Further amend said Bill in the 2nd paragraph of section 11 by striking out the word "and" in the 4th line and inserting in place thereof the following: 'subject to full payment and compensation to the Town of South Berwick for the same as provided for under section 16, and thereafter'

Further amend said Bill in section 15 by striking out the 5th paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

'Within one week after each annual election, the trustees shall meet for the purpose of electing from amongst the board of trustees a chairman, treasurer and clerk to serve for the ensuing year and until their successors are elected and qualified. The trustees from time to time may choose and employ, and fix the compensation of, any other necessary officers and agents who shall serve at their pleasure. The trustee serving as treasurer shall furnish bond in such sum and with such sureties as the board may approve. Members of the board shall be eligible to any office under the board. The trustees, as such, shall receive as compensation for their services an amount to be determined by them not to exceed \$150 each per year, except for the chairman who shall

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receive as compensation for this service an amount to be determined by the board and not to exceed \$250 per year; but the treasurer shall be allowed such compensation as the board shall determine.'

Further amend said Bill in section 15 by inserting before the period at the end the following: ', which shall be printed as a part of the annual town report of the Town of South Berwick if the board of trustees vote to so do'

Further amend said Bill in section 16 by striking out the first 3 sentences and inserting in place thereof the following: 'In carrying out the purposes of this act the district by vote of its board of trustees, without district vote except as hereinafter provided, is hereby authorized to borrow money temporarily and to issue therefor its negotiable notes for the purposes of paying the same or for the purposes of renewing and refunding the indebtedness so created or for the purposes of paying any necessary expense and liability incurred under the provisions of this act, including organizational and other necessary expenses and liabilities whether incurred by the district or incurred by the Town of South Berwick prior to the organization of the district in acquiring properties, paying damages, laying sewers, drains and conduits, constructing, maintaining and operating a sewage plant or system and making renewals, additions, extensions and improvements to the same and to cover interest payments during the period of construction, the district being authorized to reimburse said Town of South Berwick for any such expense incurred or paid by it. Said South Berwick Sewer District by vote of its board of trustees, without district vote except as hereinafter provided, is also hereby authorized to issue, from time to time, bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness of the district in such amount or amounts, bearing interest at such rate or rates, and having such terms and provisions as the trustees shall determine. The total outstanding indebtedness of said district, at any one time, shall not exceed the sum of \$500,000.'

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Further amend said Bill in section 24 by striking out the last sentence of the 2nd paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following: 'The fee to be charged by the district to the rate payer for such notice and filing shall not exceed \$3 and the fee to be charged to the district by the register of deeds for filing and recording shall not exceed \$2.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out the 3rd and 5th sentences of the referendum and inserting in place thereof the following sentences: 'The dates of said elections shall be determined by said municipal officers, but the last such election shall not be later than the first day of January, 1965.'

'Such special elections shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, the board of registration shall not be required to prepare nor the town clerk to post a new list of voters; and for this purpose said board of registration shall be in session on the 3 secular days next preceding said election, the first and second days thereof to be devoted to registration of voters and the last day to enable the board to verify the correction of said list and to complete and close up its records of said session.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out the 2nd paragraph of the referendum and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

'This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at an election; provided that the total number of votes cast for an against acceptance of this act in any election equals or exceeds 10% of the toal number of names on the check list of voters of said district provided for herein, which check list shall be used at such elections; and, provided that failure of approval by the necessary percentage of voters shall not prevent subsequent elections to be called and held not later than January 1, 1965.'

Reported by the Committee on Public Utilities.

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