

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 147

H. P. 103

House of Representatives, January 12, 1971

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Emery of Rockland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

**AN ACT Requiring Referendum Elections on Certain
Municipal Public Works Appropriations.**

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

R. S., T. 30, § 5103, sub-§ 1, repealed and replaced. Subsection 1 of section 5103 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

1. Parks and construction projects. Providing for public buildings, ways, bridges, parks, parking places and sewers and drains, subject to the following conditions:

A. No money shall be raised or appropriated for any public works project provided for in this subsection in any city until a majority of the legal voters, present and voting, at any regular or special election so vote, and shall not be raised or appropriated in any town until an article in a town warrant so providing shall have been adopted at an annual or special town meeting.

B. If a public works project, as provided for in this subsection, shall cost an amount not to exceed 10% of the indebtedness limitation set for the municipality by the Constitution of the State of Maine, Article X, section 15, paragraph A shall not apply.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would require certain public works projects to be approved by the voters in a referendum election before a municipality could legally raise or appropriate money to finance them.