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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 875

H. P. 645 House of Representatives, February 16, 1971 Referred to Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Marsh of Hampden.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT to Validate Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds and Notes by School Administrative District No. 22.

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

Whereas, the management and control of the public schools located in the Towns of Hampden, Newburgh and Winterport have been assumed by School Administrative District No. 22 which embraces the territory in said municipalities; and

Whereas, the district acquired by gift the Hampden Academy and by vote of the district at a meeting held September 29, 1969, assumed the mortgage indebtedness of said Hampden Academy; and

Whereas, said vote of September 29, 1969, authorized the refinancing of said mortgage debt to convert it into bonded school debt in an amount not to exceed \$405,366.65, and it is now in the financial best interests of the district to do so; and

Whereas, doubt exists whether the procedures in connection with the voting at said meeting complied with the requirements of the Revised Statutes, Title 30, section 2061 to 2064 and Title 20, section 225, thus raising doubts as to the legality of the proceedings taken to authorize the assumption of debt and the issuance of bonds or notes and other action taken in connection therewith; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the fol-

lowing 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:

Authorization. The school directors of School Administrative District No. 22, composed of the residents of and the territory within the Towns of Hampden, Newburgh and Winterport, are authorized to issue bonds or notes of said district not exceeding the principal amount of \$405,366.65 to refinance the indebtedness assumed with Hampden Academy, without the necessity of further proceedings in the member towns. The proceedings taken in the district meeting held September 29, 1969 to accept Hampden Academy and authorize the refinancing of its debt and all action heretofore taken pursuant thereto by the school directors, officers and agents of said district are hereby confirmed, validated and made effective.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this Act is to confirm, validate and make effective the proceedings taken at a district meeting held September 29, 1969.