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No. 1175

S. P. 395

In Senate, March 5, 1973

On motion of Senator Berry of Cumberland, referred to Committee on Public Utilities. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Morrell of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

**AN ACT to Allow the Brunswick Sewer District to Treat Sewerage from the
Topsham Sewer District and Septic Tanks.**

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

Whereas, the Topsham Sewer District has no treatment plant and it is vitally necessary that the sewerage be treated; and

Whereas, there are no means of treating septic tank waste other than through a treatment plant; and

Whereas, the following legislation is necessary for the health of the inhabitants of all parties concerned; 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:

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1947, c. 77, § 14, additional. Chapter 77 of the private and special laws of 1947, as amended, is further amended by adding a new section 14, to read as follows:

Sec. 14. Treatment of Topsham sewerage and treatment of septic tank sewerage from beyond district limits authorized. Said Brunswick Sewer Dis-

trict shall have the right to accept and treat sewerage from the Topsham Sewer District in the treatment plant of the Brunswick Sewer District under such terms and conditions and for such a period of time as the 2 districts by vote of their respective boards of trustees may from time to time decide, and said Brunswick Sewer District may accept and treat septic tank waste even from outside its own district upon such terms and conditions as the Brunswick Sewer District, through its trustees, shall from time to time determine. The board of trustees of the Brunswick Sewer District is authorized to execute written contracts from time to time on behalf of the Brunswick Sewer District for either of the above purposes.

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1957, c. 128, sub-§ 15, additional. Chapter 128 of the private and special laws of 1957, as amended, is further amended by adding a new section 15, to read as follows:

Sec. 15. District authorized to enter into contracts with Brunswick Sewer District to provide sewerage treatment. The Topsham Sewer District is authorized to enter into a contract or contracts from time to time with the Brunswick Sewer District for the treatment of the Topsham Sewer District's sewerage in the Brunswick Sewer District's treatment plant or plants, under such terms and conditions and for such period of time as the trustees of said districts may mutually decide and the said Topsham Sewer District is authorized to pipe said sewerage into the Town of Brunswick for such purpose and to construct and maintain sewer pipes for such purpose in accordance with the terms of any such contract or contracts and subject to such other requirements of law as may now or at the time exist.

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 bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.