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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT" A " to H. P. 1674, L.D. 2067,  
Bill, "AN ACT Increasing Borrowing Capacity of  
Ashland Water and Sewer District."

Amend said Bill by inserting before the enacting  
clause the following:

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

Whereas, certain equipment belonging to the  
Ashland Water and Sewer District is in dangerous  
condition and in need of repair as soon as possible;  
and

Whereas, in order to protect the health and  
welfare of the people served by the Ashland Water and  
Sewer District the following legislation is vitally  
necessary; 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 preser-  
vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,  
therefore, be it'

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the  
beginning of the first line of the first paragraph  
after the enacting clause the following: 'Sec. 1.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting before the  
Statement of Fact, the following:

'Sec. 2. P.& S.L., 1947, c. 78, §12, sub-§5,  
additional. Section 12 of chapter 78 of the private  
and special laws of 1947 is amended by adding a new  
subsection 5, to read as follows:

5. Unless and until such time as all districts  
engaged in providing sewer service are placed under

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the general regulatory jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission, the only rates of the district subject to the approval of the Public Utilities Commission under this section are those for water service.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting before the Statement of Fact, the following:

'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 amendment is to bring the language of the charter of the Ashland Water and Sewer District in conformance with the requirements of the Constitution as set forth in Re Milo Water Company, 128 Me. 531.

Reported by the Committee on Public Utilities.

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