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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1544

H. P. 1243 House of Representatives, April 1, 1975 Referred to Committee on Local and County Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT. Clerk

Presented by Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington.

Cosponsors: Mr. Perkins of Blue Hill, Mr. MacLeod of Bar Harbor and Mr. DeVane of Ellsworth.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Authorize the Treasurer and County Commissioners of Hancock County to Build a Detention Center and District Court.

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

- Sec. 1. Loan authorized. The treasurer of the County of Hancock is authorized to procure by loan on the faith and responsibility of said county, a sum of money not exceeding \$600,000, exclusive of and in addition to the loans authorized by existing statutes, for the purpose of building a detention center and District Court located in Ellsworth, in the County of Hancock.
- Sec. 2. Procedure. The county commissioners are hereby authorized to raise the sum of money necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act by following the provisions of either section 3 or section 4, as hereinafter provided.
- Sec. 3. Signing of notes authorized. The treasurer of Hancock County is hereby authorized to sign notes of said county in an amount not exceeding \$600,000, with interest not exceeding 12%, payable annually; said notes to mature not later than 20 years from the date thereof, as the county commissioners may fix; said notes to be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the county commissioners of said county.
- Sec. 4. Issuance of bonds authorized. The treasurer of Hancock County is hereby authorized to issue bonds of said county therefor, with interest coupons attached, to an amount not exceeding \$600,000, said bonds to bear interest payable annually at a rate not exceeding 12% per year; the principal to

be paid at such times, not later than 20 years from the date thereof, as the county commissioners may fix, said bonds to be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the county commissioners of said county and the coupons to bear the facsimile signature of said county treasurer.

- Sec. 5. Duty of county commissioners. The county commissioners of said county are hereby authorized to issue said bonds in such denominations as they may deem expedient and may provide for their maturity at varying dates, in no case more than 20 years from the date thereof. Authority to act will exist for 4 years from effective date of this Act.
- Sec. 6. Sinking fund created. The county commissioners are hereby authorized to create a sinking fund to provide for the payment of said notes or bonds at maturity.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to authorize the treasurer and county commissioners of Hancock County to procure a loan to build a detention center and District Court. Maine Law Enforcement and Planning Assistance Agency will commit \$112,500 toward the building of this structure. It is further the understanding that Maine District Court will pay rent at a negotiated price.