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Whereas, the voters of the Town of Orient met on August 11, 1975 and approved the issuance of bonds or notes by said Region, as aforesaid; and

Whereas, doubt exists whether the procedures followed in connection with the regional meeting of said Region complied fully with the requirements of Chapters 9 and 307 of Title 20 of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, in that the voters of the Town of Orient met and voted at a later date than that designated by the Cooperative Board of said Region, thus raising doubts as to the legality of the proceedings to authorize the issuance of bonds or notes and other legal 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 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:

Authorization. Region 2, Southern Aroostook County Vocational Region, composed of the residents of and the territory within Cary Plantation, Hammond Plantation, Moro Plantation, Mt. Chase Plantation and the Towns of Amity, Bancroft, Benedicta, Crystal, Danforth, Dyer Brook, Haynesville, Hersey, Hodgdon, Herseytown, Houlton, Island Falls, Linneus, Littleton, Ludlow, Merrill, Monticello, Oakfield, Orient, Patten, Sherman, Silver Ridge, Smyrna, Soldiertown, Stacyville and Weston, Maine, is authorized to issue and sell its bonds or notes for capital outlay purposes in an amount not exceeding the principal amount of \$2,183,885, for the purpose of constructing and equipping a central regional vocational education facility in Houlton adjacent to Houlton High School and "satellite" regional vocational education facilities in Danforth adjoining East Grand High School; in Hodgdon adjacent to Hodgdon High School; in Dyer Brook contiguous with Southern Aroostook Community School and in Stacyville contiguous with Katahdin High School; under and pursuant to the applicable provisions of Title 20, Chapters 9 and 307 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, without the necessity of further proceedings in the member municipalities and plantations. The proceedings taken at the regional meeting held in the Town of Orient on August 11, 1975 and all other member municipalities and plantations on July 14, 1975, wherein it was voted to authorize the Cooperative Board of Directors of said Region to issue said bonds and notes in the name of said Region and all action heretofore taken pursuant thereto by the Cooperative Board and officers and agents of said Region 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 bill is to validate proceedings authorizing the issuance of bonds and notes by Region 2, Southern Aroostook County Vocational Region.