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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 271

H. P. 235

House of Representatives, January 15, 1981

Referred to the Committee on Public Utilities. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Curtis of Waldoboro.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Amend the Waldoboro Sewer District Charter.

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1963, c. 146, § 14, 6th ¶, 2nd sentence is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

The trustees, as such, shall receive as compensation for their services an amount to be determined by them not to exceed \$300 each per year, but if they fail to determine a salary they shall receive \$10 each for each meeting of the board which they attend. The treasurer may be allowed such compensation as the trustees shall determine.

Sec. 2. P&SL 1963, c. 146, § 24, 2nd ¶, 4th sentence is amended to read:

The treasurer, when a rate, toll, rent or other charge has been committed to him for collection may, after the expiration of 3 months and within one year after date when the same became due and payable, in the case of a person resident in the district give, or cause to be given to such person, or leave or cause to be left, at his last and usual place of abode, **or give by registered or certified mail addressed to his last known address**, a notice in writing signed by the treasurer stating the amount of such rate, toll, rent or other charge, describing the real estate upon which the lien is claimed, and stating that a lien is claimed on said real estate to secure the payment of said rate, toll, rent or other charge and demanding within 30 days after the service of such notice payment as aforesaid.

Sec. 3. P&SL 1963, c. 146, § 24, 2nd ¶, last sentence is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

The fee to be charged by the district to the rate payer for such notice and filing shall not exceed the cost to the district for giving such notice and for filing and recording.

Sec. 4. P&SL 1963, c. 146, § 27, as enacted by P&SL 1963, c. 216, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Sec. 27. Town of Waldoboro authorized to raise money to contribute to district. Notwithstanding the creation of the Waldoboro Sewer District as a separate entity, the Town of Waldoboro is hereby authorized from time to time to raise and appropriate money for the purpose of providing financial assistance to that district.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purposes of this bill are:

1. To provide that the trustees of the sewer district may establish their level of compensation and to provide that if no level is established they will each receive \$10 per meeting;
2. To provide that notice of liens may be sent to residents of the district by registered or certified mail and to increase the amount the district can assess against the rate payer to cover the costs of filing and rewording a lien; and
3. To permit the Town of Waldoboro's annual contribution to the district to be applied to the operating costs or to a contingency or capital reserve fund for machinery and equipment.