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(EMERGENCY)

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 2317

H.P. 1753

House of Representatives, March 19, 1984

Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Davis of Monmouth.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend the Charter of the
Winthrop Water District.

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

Whereas, the district owes a note payable on the first day of July; and

Whereas, the district is expected to let a contract in April for a 60-day period; and

Whereas, the district is trying to avoid the high cost of temporary financing; 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-

1 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
2 therefore,

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

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6 follows:

7 P&SL 1923, c. 98, §13, 3rd sentence from the end,
8 as repealed and replaced by P&SL 1955, c. 182, §5, is
9 amended to read:

10 Prior to the issuance of such bonds, an advertisement
11 of the proposed issue shall be inserted in the Kenne-
12 bec Journal and also in a newspaper of large circula-
13 tion published in Boston, Massachusetts; the bonds
14 shall be awarded to the lowest bidder provided he
15 shall be able to meet the terms required by the
16 trustees who shall reserve and have the right to re-
17 ject any and all bids.

18 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited
19 in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when ap-
20 proved.

21 STATEMENT OF FACT

22 The purpose of this bill is to eliminate the re-
23 quirement that the district publish an invitation to
24 bid on anticipated district bond issues in a Boston
25 newspaper. The most recent publication of the invi-
26 tation cost the district in excess of \$600 and re-
27 sulted in no bids. The district is contemplating a
28 bond issue in 1984, for which it would have to public
29 an invitation to bid, thus adding to the cost of the
30 issue for the ratepayers. The publication of the in-
31 vitation to bid in a Boston newspaper has not re-
32 sulted in any bids within the last several years.

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