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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 1009

7 S.P. 375

In Senate, March 13, 1985

8 Referred to the Committee on Local and County Government. Sent down
9 for concurrence and ordered printed.

10 JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Stover of Sagadahoc.

11 Cosponsored by Representative Cahill of Woolwich, Representative Small
of Bath and Representative Chonko of Topsham.

12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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17 AN ACT to Authorize Sagadahoc County to Raise
18 Funds to Renovate and Expand the
19 Present Court Facilities at Bath.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 Sec. 1. To raise money for court facility
24 renovations and additions. The county commissioners
25 of Sagadahoc County are authorized to raise and ex-
26 pend, by issuing bonds or notes, a sum not exceeding
27 \$1,250,000 to make renovations and additions to the
28 court facilities at Bath.

29 Sec. 2. Aid from other sources. The county com-
30 missioners of Sagadahoc County are authorized to bor-
31 row any portion of the sums authorized by this Act
32 from or through any agency or department of the State
33 and of the Federal Government. The county commis-
34 sioners are authorized to receive grants of money and
35 other assistance from or through any agency or de-
36 partment of the State and of the Federal Government
37 for any of the purposes authorized in this Act.

1 **Sec. 3. Bonds or notes.** To provide funds for
2 renovations and additions to the court facilities at
3 Bath, the treasurer of Sagadahoc County, with the ap-
4 proval of the county commissioners, may borrow from
5 time to time upon the full faith and credit of the
6 county such sums, not exceeding in the aggregate
7 \$1,250,000, as may be necessary, and may issue bonds
8 or notes therefor which shall bear on their faces the
9 words "Sagadahoc County Capital Improvement Bonds Act
10 of 1985." Each authorized issue shall be payable in
11 such annual installments, beginning not more than 2
12 years from the date thereof, as will extinguish each
13 loan in not more than 20 years from its date. The
14 bonds or notes shall be signed by the treasurer of
15 the county and countersigned by the chairman of the
16 county commissioners. The county may sell such secu-
17 rities at public or private sale upon such terms and
18 conditions as the county commissioners deem proper,
19 but at not less than par and accrued interest.

20 **Sec. 4. Temporary notes.** The county treasurer,
21 with the approval of the county commissioners, may
22 issue temporary notes of the county payable in not
23 more than one year from their dates, in anticipation
24 of the issue of serial bonds under this Act and may
25 renew the same, but the time within which these seri-
26 al bonds shall become due and payable shall not, by
27 reason of these temporary notes, be extended beyond
28 the term fixed by this Act. Any notes issued in an-
29 ticipation of the serial bonds shall be paid from the
30 proceeds thereof.

31 **Sec. 5. Bonds authorized but not issued.** Any
32 bonds authorized but not issued, or for which bond
33 anticipation notes have not been issued within 5
34 years of the ratification of this Act, shall be
35 deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the
36 Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration
37 of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing
38 any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation
39 notes for an additional amount of time not to exceed
40 5 years.

41 **Sec. 6. Referendum for ratification.** This Act
42 shall be submitted to the legal voters of Sagadahoc
43 County. The date of submission shall be at the dis-
44 cretion of the Sagadahoc County Board of Commission-

1 ers, but not later than 24 months after adjournment
2 of the Legislature. Sagadahoc County Commissioners
3 are authorized to expend such funds as are necessary
4 to implement the referendum.

5 The county commissioners shall cause the prepara-
6 tion of the required ballots on which they shall
7 state the subject matter of this Act in the following
8 question:

9 "Shall the issuance of bonds be authorized
10 in an amount not to exceed \$1,250,000 for
11 renovations and additions to court facili-
12 ties at Bath?"

13 The voters shall indicate by a cross or check
14 mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their
15 opinion of the same.

16 This Act shall take effect for all the purposes
17 hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority
18 of the legal voters voting at the election; provided
19 the total number of votes cast for and against the
20 acceptance of this Act equals or exceeds 30% of the
21 total votes for all candidates for Governor cast in
22 the next previous gubernatorial election in that
23 county. If, at any such first election, the total
24 number of votes cast for or against acceptance of
25 this Act is less than 30% of the total votes for all
26 candidates for Governor cast in that county in the
27 next previous gubernatorial election, the county com-
28 missioners may call not more than one other such spe-
29 cial election to be held within the time prescribed
30 above.

31 The result of such elections shall be declared by
32 the Sagadahoc County Commissioners and due certifi-
33 cate filed with the Secretary of State.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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The purpose of this bill is to authorize Sagadahoc County to raise \$1,250,000 through the issuance of bonds to be used for renovations and additions to the court facilities at Bath.

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