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L.D. 1828
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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 112TH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION
COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " $\mathcal{A}$ " to H.P. 1312, L.D. 1828, Bill, "AN ACT to Establish the Lubec Port Authority."
Amend the bill in section 1 in the 4th paragraph, 2nd and 3rd lines (page 2, lines 22 and 23 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "city council" and inserting in its place the following: 'selectmen'
Further amend the bill in section 1, in the last paragraph, in the 15th line (page 3, line 15 in L.D.) by inserting after the word "domain" the following: 'pursuant to section 2'
Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 3 and inserting in its place the following:
'Sec. 3. Authorized to receive governmental aid; to borrow money; to issue bonds and notes. For accomplishing the purposes of this Act, the Lubec Port Authority, through its directors, without vote of the inhabitants, may receive municipal, state and federal aid grants. The port authority may reimburse the Town of Lubec for any expense incurred for the benefit of the port authority.
The port authority, through its directors, without the vote of its voters, may borrow money temporarily and issue therefor its negotiable notes, for the purpose of renewing and refunding the indebtedness so created, of paying any necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under this Act, including organizational and other necessary expenses and liabilities, whether incurred by the port authority or the Town of Lubec.

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issue bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness of the port authority, in such amounts, bearing such interest and having such terms as the directors shall determine, provided that issuance of bonds and notes shall be in accordance with this section.

In the event that the directors vote to authorize bonds or notes, the estimated cost of which, singly or in the aggregate included in any one financing, is \$150,000 or more adjusted, relative to 1986 as the base year according to the annual Consumer Price Index, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1001, subsection 6-A, the directors shall provide notice to the general public of the proposed bond or note issue and the purposes for which the debt is being issued. The notice shall be published at least once in a newspaper having general circulation in the district. The directors shall give notice to each rate-payer by mail.

No debt may be incurred under the vote of the directors until the expiration of 7 full days following the date on which the notice was first published and mailed. Prior to the expiration of the period, the directors shall call a special meeting for the purpose of permitting the collection of testimony from the public concerning the amount of debt so authorized.

Except for indebtedness the fund projects specifically mandated by the State Government and Federal Government, for debts in excess of the amount specified in this section, if requested by petition of not less than 50 of the voters or 5% of the voters of the municipality, whichever is greater, filed with the town clerk of Lubec on or before the date of the meeting, the meeting shall express approval or disapproval of the amount of debt authorized by the directors. If a majority of voters present and voting expresses disapproval of the amount of debt authorized by the directors, the debt shall not be incurred and the vote of the directors authorizing it shall be

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1 void and of no effect.

The bonds, notes and evidences of indebtedness may be issued to mature serially or made to run for such periods as the directors may determine. Bonds, notes or evidences of indebtedness may be issued with or without provisions for calling the same prior to maturity and, if callable, may be made callable at par or at such premium as the directors may determine. All bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness shall have inscribed upon their faces the words "Lubec Port Authority," shall be signed by the treasurer, if any, and countersigned by the chairman of the port authority and, if coupon bonds are issued, the interest coupons attached there to shall bear the facsimile signature of the treasurer or chairman.

All bonds, notes and evidences of indebtedness issued by the port authority shall be legal obligations of the port authority, which is declared to be a quasi-municipal corporation within the meaning of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30, section 5053, and all provisions of that section shall be applicable thereto.

The port authority may refund and reissue, in one or in separate series, its bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness and each authorized issue shall constitute a separate loan. All bonds, notes and evidences of indebtedness issued by the port authority shall be legal investments for savings banks in this State and shall be free from taxation.

The total debt of the port authority outstanding at any one time shall not exceed \$1,000,000.

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1	STATEMENT OF FACT
2 3 4	This amendment inserts appropriate language to establish the financial authority of the Lubec Port Authority.
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