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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1830

S.P. 623

In Senate, June 11, 1987

Approved for Introduction by a Majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator GAUVREAU of Androscoggin.

Cosponsored by Representative CALLAHAN of Mechanic Falls, Representative COTE of Auburn, Representative STEVENS of Sabattus.

STATE OF MAINE

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

1 **AN ACT to Authorize Androscoggin County to**
2 **Raise Up to \$8,900,000 to Renovate and**
3 **Expand Jail Facilities for Androscoggin**
4 **County.**
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6 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
7 follows:

8 **Sec. 1. To raise money for construction and im-**
9 **provement of jail facilities for Androscoggin County.**
10 The county commissioners of the County of
11 Androscoggin are authorized to raise and expend a sum
12 not to exceed \$8,900,000 for renovation and expansion
13 of the county jail facilities located in Auburn.

14 **Sec. 2. Aid from other sources. The county com-**
15 missioners of the County of Androscoggin are autho-

1 rized to borrow any portion of the sums herein author-
2 rized from or through any agency or department of the
3 State of Maine and of the Federal Government. The
4 county commissioners are authorized to receive grants
5 of money and other assistance from or through any
6 agency or department of the State of Maine and of the
7 Federal Government for any of the purposes authorized
8 in this Act.

9 **Sec. 3. Bonds.** To provide funds for the county
10 jail facilities, the treasurer of Androscoggin Coun-
11 ty, with the approval of the county commissioners,
12 may borrow from time to time upon the full faith and
13 credit of the county such sums, not exceeding in the
14 aggregate \$8,900,000, as may be necessary and may is-
15 sue bonds therefor which shall bear on their face the
16 words "Androscoggin County Capital Improvement Bonds
17 Act of 1987." Each authorized issue shall be payable
18 in such annual installments, beginning not more than
19 2 years from the date thereof and not earlier than
20 the year 1989, as will extinguish each loan in not
21 more than 20 years from its date. The bonds shall be
22 signed by the treasurer of the county and counter-
23 signed by the majority of the county commissioners.
24 The county may sell the securities at public or pri-
25 vate sale upon such terms and conditions as the coun-
26 ty commissioners may deem proper, but at not less
27 than par and accrued interest.

28 **Sec. 4. Temporary notes.** The county treasurer,
29 with the approval of the county commissioners, may
30 issue temporary notes of the county, payable in not
31 more than one year from their dates, in anticipation
32 of the issue of serial bonds under this Act and may
33 renew the same, but the time within which such serial
34 bonds shall become due and payable shall not, by rea-
35 son of such temporary notes, be extended beyond the
36 term fixed by this Act. Any notes issued in antici-
37 pation of the serial bonds shall be paid from the
38 proceeds of the bonds.

39 **Sec. 5. Bonds authorized but not issued.** Any
40 bonds authorized but not issued, or for which bond
41 anticipation notes have not been issued within 5
42 years of the ratification of this Act, shall be
43 deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the
44 Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration

1 of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing
2 any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation
3 notes for an additional amount of time not to exceed
4 5 years.

5 Sec. 6. Referendum for ratification. This Act
6 shall be submitted to the legal voters of
7 Androscoggin County. The dates of such submission
8 shall be determined by the Androscoggin County Board
9 of Commissioners but not later than 18 months after
10 adjournment of the Legislature. The Androscoggin
11 County commissioners are authorized to expend such
12 funds as are necessary to implement the referendum.

13 The county commissioners shall cause the prepara-
14 tion of the required ballots on which they shall
15 state the subject matter of this Act in the following
16 question:

17 "Shall the issuance of bonds be authorized in an
18 amount not to exceed \$8,900,000 for renovation and
19 expansion of jail facilities for Androscoggin Coun-
20 ty?"

21 The voters shall indicate by a cross or check
22 mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their
23 opinion of the same.

24 This Act shall take effect for all the purposes
25 hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority
26 of the legal voters voting at the election; provided
27 the total number of votes cast for and against the
28 acceptance of this Act equals or exceeds 30% of the
29 total votes for all candidates for Governor cast in
30 the next previous gubernatorial election in the coun-
31 ty. If at any such first election, the total number
32 of votes cast for or against acceptance of this Act
33 is less than 30% of the total votes for all candi-
34 dates for Governor cast in the county in the next
35 previous gubernatorial election, the county commis-
36 sioners may submit the question to voters not more
37 than one other time within the time prescribed in
38 this section.

39 The result of such elections shall be declared by
40 the Androscoggin County Commissioners and due certifi-
41 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 the Androscoggin County Commissioners to seek approval from county voters to raise up to \$8,900,000 for construction and improvement of jail facilities for Androscoggin County.

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