

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

NO. 2427

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H.P. 1774                      House of Representatives, March 3, 1988  
Approved for introduction by a majority of the  
Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.  
Reference to the Committee on Utilities suggested and  
ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk  
Presented by Representative FARNUM of South Berwick.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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1                      **AN ACT to Increase the Debt Limit for the**  
2                      **South Berwick Sewer District.**  
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4                      Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
5                      follows:

6                      P&SL 1963, c. 226, §16, 3rd sentence is amended  
7                      to read:

8                      The total outstanding indebtedness of said district,

1 at any one time, shall not exceed the sum of  
2 ~~\$500,000~~ \$3,000,000.

3 STATEMENT OF FACT

4 The South Berwick Sewer District has a present  
5 debt limit of \$500,000 which was enacted in 1964. The  
6 present treatment system is not in compliance with the  
7 United States Clean Water Act, Public Law 92-500,  
8 requiring best practical treatment. The district will  
9 be required to spend money for upgrading its facility  
10 to secondary treatment levels within the next several  
11 years. This will require predominantly local funding  
12 through bond issues with repayment through user fees,  
13 rents and tolls. Some state or federal grant and loan  
14 money may also be available under various programs.

15 This bill will allow local funding to provide for  
16 the district's sewage treatment system to meet state  
17 and federal regulations.

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