

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and
Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative HOLLOWAY of Edgecomb.

Cosponsored by Representative RYDELL of Brunswick,
President PRAY of Penobscot, and Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

STATE OF MAINE

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

1 **AN ACT to Increase the Sewerage Facilities**
2 **Construction General Fund Bond Issue**
3 **for Individual Pollution Abatement Projects.**
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5 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the
6 Legislature do not become effective until 90 days
7 after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

8 Whereas, it is imperative that the cleanup of
9 redeemable shellfish areas on the coast be accelerated

1 immediately by the means provided in this legislation;
2 and

3 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these
4 facts create an emergency within the meaning of the
5 Constitution of Maine and require the following
6 legislation as immediately necessary for the
7 preservation of the public peace, health and safety;
8 now, therefore,

9 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
10 follows:

11 Sec. 1. P&SL 1987, c. 125, §1 is amended to
12 read:

13 Sec. 1. Authorization of bonds to provide for
14 sewerage facilities construction. The Treasurer of
15 State is authorized, under the direction of the
16 Governor, to issue from time to time registered bonds
17 in the name and on behalf of the State to an amount
18 not exceeding ~~§12,000,000~~ \$13,000,000 for the
19 purpose of raising funds to provide for sewerage
20 construction as authorized by section 6. The bonds
21 shall be deemed a pledge of the full faith and credit
22 of the State. The bonds shall not run for a longer
23 period than 10 years from the date of the original
24 issue of the bonds. Any issuance of bonds may contain
25 a call feature at the discretion of the Treasurer of
26 State with the approval of the Governor.

27 Sec. 2. P&SL 1987, c. 125, §6 is amended to
28 read:

29 Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund bond
30 issue; sewerage facilities construction. The
31 proceeds of the sale of bonds shall be expended as
32 designated in the following schedule.

33 Sewerage facilities construction ~~§12,000,000~~
34 \$13,000,000, not less than \$1,000,000 of which shall
35 be used for private, individual sewerage facilities.

36 Sec. 3. P&SL 1987, c. 125, §10 is amended to
37 read:

1 Sec. 10. Statutory referendum procedure;
2 submission at general election; form of question;
3 effective date. This Act shall be submitted to the
4 legal voters of the State at the next general election
5 in the month of November following passage of this
6 Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation
7 assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants
8 of their respective cities, towns and plantations to
9 meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a
10 statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or
11 rejection of this Act by voting on the following
12 question:

13 "Do you favor a ~~\$12,000,000~~ \$13,000,000 bond
14 issue for sewerage facilities construction?"

15 The legal voters of each city, town and plantation
16 shall vote by ballot on this question and shall
17 designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed
18 within a corresponding square below the word "Yes" or
19 "No." The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted
20 and declared in open ward, town and plantation
21 meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in
22 the same manner as votes for members of the
23 Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns
24 and, if it appears that a majority of the legal voters
25 are in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim
26 that fact without delay and the Act shall become
27 effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

28 The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish
29 to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns
30 and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the
31 purpose of this referendum.

32 Emergency clause. In view of the emergency
33 cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when
34 approved.

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FISCAL NOTE

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This bill will increase the principal amount of

1 the bond issue by \$1,000,000 and the interest amount
2 by \$357,500 bringing the total to \$3,000,000 in
3 principal and \$4,647,500 in interest.

4 STATEMENT OF FACT

5 The purpose of this bill is to increase from
6 \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 the amount of the bond issue
7 authorized by Private and Special Law 1987, chapter
8 125, which will be used for individual projects within
9 small community grants programs.

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