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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.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative HICHBORN of Howland. Cosponsored by Senator PEARSON of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act Authorizing the Town of Howland to Refinance Certain Temporary Bond Anticipation Notes Issued for its Water Project.

(AFTER DEADLINE) in the second second (EMERGENCY)

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Town of Howland has authorized the issuance of general obligation securities for the purpose of financing certain capital improvements to the town's water system, the water project, and has issued its temporary general obligation bond anticipation notes in the principal amount of \$894,000 to finance the water project, the debt being originally issued in April 1987; and

Whereas, long-term financing for the water project is to be 14 provided by the issuance of general obligation bonds to the United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home 16 Administration; and

18 Whereas, engineering problems associated with the water project have caused the construction of the project to extend 20 beyond the time originally contemplated and have delayed the closing of the long-term financing with the Farmers Home 22 Administration; and

Whereas, the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 5772, states that the period of anticipatory borrowing by a municipality may not exceed 3 years; and

28 Whereas, it is necessary for the Town of Howland to extend the period of its anticipatory borrowing for an additional year; 30 and

32 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of 34 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and 36 safety; now, therefore,

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

Authority to issue and sell temporary notes. Notwithstanding the 40 Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 5772, or any other 42 provision of law, the Town of Howland may issue and sell temporary general obligation bond anticipation notes in a 44 principal amount not to exceed \$894,000 for an additional year for the purpose of refinancing certain outstanding temporary notes originally issued in April 1987, and subsequently reissued 46 in 1988 and 1989, in that amount to finance the water project for the Town of Howland, and that the 3-year limitation regarding 48 temporary or anticipatory borrowing under Title 30-A, section 50 5772, be extended to 4 years for the water project for the Town of Howland.

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Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

The Town of Howland has had difficulty locating a pure source of water. This bill alleviates the financial problems caused by the delay by extending temporary financing for the water project.