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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative COLES of Harpswell.

Cosponsored by Senator CAHILL of Sagadahoc, Representative HOLT of Bath and Representative SMALL of Bath.

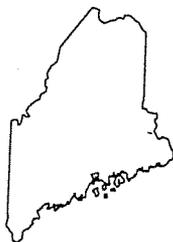
### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO

**An Act to Authorize a Bond Issue of \$300,000 to Expand the Sagadahoc County Courthouse to Include Detention Facilities.**

(AFTER DEADLINE)

(EMERGENCY)



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

4           Whereas, Sagadahoc County has no jail facility; and

6           Whereas, the need exists for a detention facility at the  
8 Sagadahoc County courthouse; and

10          Whereas, the county commissioners must begin the necessary  
preparation of the ballot to be presented to the voters of  
12 Sagadahoc County; and

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

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

22           **Sec. 1. To raise money for construction of detention facility at the**  
**Sagadahoc County courthouse.** The county commissioners of  
24 Sagadahoc County are authorized to raise and expend a sum not to  
exceed \$300,000 for construction of a detention facility located  
26 in Sagadahoc County.

28           **Sec. 2. Aid from other sources.** The county commissioners of  
Sagadahoc County are authorized to borrow any portion of the sums  
30 authorized by this Act from or through any agency or department  
of the State and the Federal Government. The county  
32 commissioners are authorized to receive grants of money and other  
assistance from or through any agency or department of the State  
34 and the Federal Government for any of the purposes authorized in  
this Act.

36           **Sec. 3. Bonds.** To provide funds for the county jail  
38 facility, the treasurer of Sagadahoc County, with the approval of  
the county commissioners, may borrow upon the full faith and  
40 credit of the county such sums as necessary, not exceeding in the  
aggregate \$300,000, and may issue bonds for those sums that must  
42 bear on their face the words "Sagadahoc County Capital  
Improvement Bonds Act of 1992." Each authorized issue is payable  
44 in such annual installments, beginning not more than 2 years from  
the date of authorization and not earlier than the year 1994, as  
46 will extinguish each loan in not more than 20 years from its  
date. The bonds must be signed by the treasurer of the county  
48 and countersigned by the majority of the county commissioners.  
The county may sell the securities at public or private sale upon

2 such terms and conditions as the county commissioners may  
determine proper but at not less than par and accrued interest.

4 **Sec. 4. Temporary notes.** The county treasurer, with the  
6 approval of the county commissioners, may issue temporary notes  
of the county payable not more than one year from their dates in  
8 anticipation of the issue of bonds under this Act and may renew  
those notes, but the time within which the bonds become due and  
10 payable may not by reason of such temporary notes be extended  
beyond the term fixed by this Act. Any notes issued in  
12 anticipation of the bonds must be paid from the proceeds of the  
bonds.

14 **Sec. 5. Bonds authorized but not issued.** Any bonds authorized  
but not issued, or for which bond anticipation notes have not  
16 been issued within 5 years of the ratification of this Act, are  
deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the Legislature  
18 may, within 2 years after the expiration of that 5-year period,  
extend the period for issuing any remaining unissued bonds or  
20 bond anticipation notes for an additional amount of time not to  
exceed 5 years.

22 **Sec. 6. Service fees.** The county may negotiate with the  
24 municipality in which the county detention facility constructed  
with funds provided under this Act is located for the annual  
26 payment of reasonable service fees reflecting the cost of  
municipal services associated with the county detention facility.

28 **Sec. 7. Referendum for ratification.** This Act must be submitted  
30 to the legal voters of Sagadahoc County. The dates of the  
submission must be determined by the Sagadahoc County Board of  
32 Commissioners but may not be later than 18 months after  
adjournment of the Legislature. The Sagadahoc County  
34 commissioners are authorized to expend such funds as necessary to  
implement the referendum.

36 The county commissioners shall cause the preparation of the  
38 required ballots on which they shall state the subject matter of  
this Act in the following question:

40 "Do you favor a \$300,000 bond issue for construction of a  
42 detention facility at the Sagadahoc County Courthouse?"

44 The ballot must also contain the following information  
determined by the county commissioners to be accurate as of the  
46 date when it is necessary to begin preparation of the ballot  
question:

48 1. A statement of the total debt service of the requested  
50 issue divided into principal and interest and indicating the  
interest rate and period of the bond; and

