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An Act to Amend the Charter of the New Portland Water District

(AFTER DEADLINE)

(EMERGENCY)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Utilities and Energy suggested and ordered printed.

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND
Clerk

Presented by Representative McGLOCKLIN of Embden.
Cosponsored by Senator HATCH of Somerset.

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

4 Whereas, the water supply of the New Portland Water District
6 does not meet the United States Environmental Protection Agency's
drinking water standards; and

8 Whereas, the New Portland Water District has just received
10 emergency funding through a United States Department of
Agriculture rural development block grant and a community
12 development block grant; and

14 Whereas, the New Portland Water District must drill new
wells to meet the Environmental Protection Agency's drinking
16 water standards; and

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

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

26 **Sec. 1. P&SL 1975, c. 18, §1 is amended to read:**

28 **Sec. 1. Territorial limits; corporate name and purpose.** The
inhabitants of and the territory within that part of the Town of
30 New Portland in the County of Somerset, more commonly known as
North New Portland village, ~~as is hereafter described:--Beginning~~
32 ~~at the New Portland Embden town line on the Hancock Pond Road, so~~
~~called, and extending westerly along the road to the center of~~
34 ~~North New Portland village at the post office a distance of~~
~~approximately 1.4 miles including 4 rights of way southerly from~~
36 ~~said road; first to a spring 500 feet more or less from the~~
~~highway at the Jackson Farm, and second a right of way to the~~
38 ~~reservoir 1,000 feet southwesterly from the highway on the west~~
~~side of Fletcher Hill, plus a right of way to a spring above the~~
40 ~~reservoir approximately 1,000 feet southeasterly of said~~
~~reservoir, plus a 4th right of way northwesterly approximately~~
42 ~~1,000 feet from the reservoir to the highway. Also, including a~~
~~right of way northeasterly from said highway approximately 500~~
44 ~~feet to the pumping station and lower springs, all such~~
~~rights of way being occupied by pipe lines and other property of~~
46 ~~North Village Water Company. Also beginning at the post office~~
~~at the center of said North New Portland village along the~~
48 ~~following roads and streets:~~

50 1. -- Southerly on the North Anson Road approximately 4,000
feet to a point opposite home of Charles Collins, Jr.

2 2. -- Northerly approximately 4,000 feet to the top of Fred
Berry Hill, so-called, for the location of a future stand pipe or
4 reservoir.

6 3. -- Westerly approximately 1,500 feet to a junction at Hall
Corner, so-called, crossing Gilman Stream by an underwater pipe
8 westerly of the highway bridge.

10 4. -- Thence westerly 500 feet, more or less, to a point
opposite Hilda Trudel's residence.

12 5. -- Thence southerly from Hall Corner a distance of 2,000
14 feet, more or less, to a point opposite the residence of Roland
Pease.

16 6. -- Also including all land 500 feet on either side of the
18 above-described roads and all streets in North New Portland
village;

20 shall be and hereby are constituted and surrounding areas
22 described as follows: Beginning at a point where the New
24 Portland-Emden town line intersects with 44° 56' 38" north
26 longitude; thence south along the New Portland-Emden town line
28 to the intersection of 44° 54' 30" north longitude; thence west
30 along 44° 54' 30" north longitude to the intersection of 70° 03'
32 50" west latitude; thence north along 70° 03' 50" west latitude
34 to the intersection of 44° 56' 38" north longitude; thence east
36 44° 56' 38" north longitude to the point of beginning a body
38 politic and corporate under the name of "New Portland Water
District" for the purpose of supplying the said district and the
inhabitants of said the district with pure water for domestic,
commercial, sanitary, industrial, agricultural and municipal
purposes.

36 The authority granted under this chapter shall--supersede
38 supersedes the authority granted the North Village Water Company
to serve said area.

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

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SUMMARY

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This bill amends the territorial limits of the New Portland
Water District.