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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-FIVE

AN ACT Amending the Charter of the Town of Norridgewock School District.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the consolidated school building of the town of Norridgewock was recently completely destroyed by fire depriving the town of any facilities for carrying out its school program, and

Whereas, it is imperative that action be taken at the earliest possible time to acquire land and to construct a new school building or buildings to accommodate the 400 school children of the town, and

Whereas, it may be possible to obtain federal funds to assist in the building of a new school building or buildings, and

Whereas, it will be impossible to borrow the requisite amount of money needed to complete the construction of such school building or buildings unless the provisions of the act incorporating the town of Norridgewock School District are amended and extended, and

Whereas, in the opinion of the legislature, these facts render the immediate passage of this act necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and constitute an emergency within the meaning

of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitution of Maine, now therefore,

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1933, c. 109, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 109 of the private and special laws of 1933 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Town of Norridgewock School District, incorporated. Subject to the provisions of section 7, hereof, the inhabitants of **and the territory within** the town of Norridgewock shall constitute a body politic and corporate under the name of the "Town of Norridgewock School District" for the purpose of acquiring land within the said town for school purposes; erecting, equipping and maintaining on said land ~~a school building~~ **buildings**; and for the purpose of maintaining elementary and high ~~school~~ **schools**, with the right to lease or let said property to said town; all for the benefit of the inhabitants of said town.'

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1933, c. 109, § 2-A, additional. Chapter 109 of the private and special laws of 1933 is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 2-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 2-A. Authorization. The town of Norridgewock school district is hereby authorized to receive from the town of Norridgewock, and the said town of Norridgewock is hereby authorized to convey to said district the school land situated in the town of Norridgewock and to turn over to said school district such sums of money as it may raise either by taxation or by bond issue for the purpose of constructing school buildings. Before conveying of said land or turning over of said funds, the municipal officers shall be duly authorized so to do by a majority vote of the legal voters of said town, voting at a special meeting called for that purpose or at any regular town meeting. Said school district is hereby authorized to accept gifts, grants, or devises for the purpose of constructing said school building.'

Sec. 3. P. & S. L., 1933, c. 109, § 4-A, additional. Chapter 109 of the private and special laws of 1933 is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 4-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 4-A. Additional funds. To procure additional funds to erect, equip, construct and maintain a school building or buildings to replace the school building destroyed in March, 1945, and for such other costs and expenses as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act, the said district is hereby authorized to issue its bonds or notes in a total amount

not to exceed the sum of \$60,000, which shall be additional to and not inclusive of the indebtedness provided for in section 4. Such bonds or notes may be issued upon the same terms and in the same manner as is provided in section 4 and the provisions of sections 5 and 6 relating to sinking fund and provisions for sinking fund shall be applicable.'

Sec. 4. P. & S. L., 1933, c. 109, § 7, amended. Section 7 of chapter 109 of the private and special laws of 1933 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 7. Provisions for termination of the board of trustees. At such time as the school ~~building~~ buildings shall have been completed, equipped, and occupied by pupils of said district and the board of trustees of the district shall have discharged all of its principal obligations and the property of said district shall be free and clear of all indebtedness the board of trustees shall automatically cease to function and all the duties, management, care and maintenance shall revert to the school board of the town of Norridgewock or such other board as may, at that time, have jurisdiction over similar school property, and then the president and treasurer shall cause to be executed, signed and delivered, a good and sufficient deed of all the property in said district, to the town of Norridgewock. All money, if any remaining in the treasury of the board of trustees at the time it ceases to function, shall be given to the town treasurer of the town of Norridgewock. This money shall be used only for school purposes and shall be kept separate from all other money until authorized by the selectmen of the town of Norridgewock to be expended as hereinbefore stated.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.