

(Transmitted by Director of Legislative Research pursuant to joint order.)

NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1121

H. P. 1782 House of Representatives, March 1, 1949 Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent up for concurrence, and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk Presented by Mr. Littlefield of Kennebunk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE

AN ACT to Permit the Town of Kennebunkport to Take Advantage of a Proposed Government Project.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the War Department Corps of Engineers, New England Division, desires to report and recommend at once to the War Department that the United States of America dredge a portion of Cape Porpoise harbor at Kennebunkport, Maine, at government expense, with a relatively small contribution toward the cost from the town of Kennebunkport; and

Whereas, such a project is a needed benefit to the fishing and recreational industries of the public; and

Whereas, a legislative act is necessary to authorize the town of Kennebunkport to concur in the conditions of the project as recommended; and

Whereas, immediate steps must be taken by the town of Kennebunkport to the end that the matter may be processed through government channels at the earliest possible time; and

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

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

Town of Kennebunkport authorized to contribute toward cost of dredging Cape Porpoise harbor. The inhabitants of the town of Kennebunkport, a body corporate, is hereby authorized, when so voted by a majority of the legal voters present and voting at a town meeting legally called and held, to raise by borrowing or taxation and to appropriate the sum of \$20,000 as a contribution toward the cost of dredging a portion of Cape Porpoise harbor at Kennebunkport and to raise and appropriate a sum necessary to provide suitable landing facilities at Kennebunkport for the work, provided the United States of America agrees to bear the rest of the cost of the project, and to agree to hold and save the United States of America free from all claims for damages attributable to the making of the improvement.

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