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House of Representatives, January 25, 1955.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Edwards of Raymond.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Increase the Borrowing Capacity of the Town of Gray School District.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless passed as emergencies; and

Whereas, since the incorporation of the Town of Gray School District in 1953, the cost of construction of the 6-room addition to Pennell Institute will exceed the limitation of the original act by \$25,000; and

Whereas, additional funds are needed to complete said addition; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary that this act be voted upon at the earliest possible date; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution 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:

P. & S. L., 1953, c. 74, § 4, amended. The 1st sentence of section 4 of chapter 74 of the private and special laws of 1953 is hereby amended to read as follows: 'To procure funds for the purposes of this act, and for such other expenses as may be necessary to carry out said purposes, the said district, by its trustees, is hereby authorized from time to time to borrow money and to issue its bonds and notes therefor, but shall not incur a total indebtedness exceeding the sum of ~~\$100,000~~ \$125,000.'

Emergency clause; effective date; referendum. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the town of Gray at any regular or special meeting called and held for the purpose not later than 8 months after the approval of this act. Such special meeting shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the selectmen of the town of Gray shall not be required to prepare for posting nor the town clerk to post a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters said selectmen shall be in session 2 hours preceding such meeting. The town clerk shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall 'An Act to Increase the Borrowing Capacity of the Town of Gray School District,' passed by the 97th Legislature, be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed over the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This act shall take effect for all the purposes thereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal and against the acceptance of this act at said meeting equals or exceeds 20% of voters voting at said meeting; provided that the total number of votes cast for the total vote for all candidates for Governor in said town at the next previous gubernatorial election.

The results in said district shall be declared by the municipal officers of the town of Gray and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.