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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
98th LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 232, L. D. 325, Bill, "An Act
Relating to the Winthrop Sewer System."

Amend said Bill by inserting after the Title and before the
enacting clause the following Emergency Preamble:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, the proper collection and disposal
of sewage and wastes are vital to the health and well-being of the
inhabitants of a community; and

Whereas, adequate sewerage facilities are at all time necessary
for properly collecting and disposing of the same; and

Whereas, for such purposes, it is desirable that the Winthrop
Sewer System be enabled to construct such sewerage facilities during
the forthcoming summer months; and

Whereas, to accomplish this it is necessary that the following
legislation be voted upon as soon as possible; 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, '

Further amend said Bill by striking out the last 3 lines and
inserting in place thereof the following:

~~"district to an amount or amounts necessary in the judgment of the
trustees aforesaid; provided, however, that bonds for sewerage
facilities shall not exceed the sum of \$250,000 \$600,000."~~

Further amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof the fol-
lowing Referendum:

'Emergency clause; referendum; certificate to Secretary of State.
In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take
effect when approved, only for the purpose of permitting its sub-
mission to the legal voters of the territory embraced within the
limits of said district and the legal voters of the town of Winthrop
who own real estate within said district, present and voting at a
special election called and held for the purpose on petition therefor
signed by at least 20 legal voters resident within said district.
Such special election shall be held not later than 60 days after the
effective date of this act and shall be called, advertised and con-
ducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided,
however, that the board of registration in said town of Winthrop shall
prepare and furnish separate check lists for such of the voters within
said district as are then legal voters of said town and reside in said
district and any additional individuals owning real estate within said
district who are legal voters of the town of Winthrop, and all notices

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warrants or other proceedings, shall be varied accordingly so as to show that only such voters as reside in said district or town as aforesaid are entitled to vote at such meeting. At such meeting the vote shall be by ballot bearing the question: "Shall the Act Relating to the Winthrop Sewer System, passed by the 98th Legislature, whereby the Winthrop Water District is authorized to increase its borrowing capacity for the installation of a sewer system to \$600,000., be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act equals or exceeds 20% of the voters on said check list.

The result of the vote in said district shall be declared by the selectmen of the town of Winthrop and due certificate thereof filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.'

Reported by the Committee on Public Utilities.

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