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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-NINE

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**AN ACT Relating to Completion of Josias River Project in Ogunquit.**

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

Whereas, in order to complete the Josias River Project, so called, the following legislation is necessary; and

Whereas, the Federal Government has appropriated \$180,000 for this project; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary that the Town of Wells be authorized to borrow \$30,000 to complete the project in the summer of 1959; 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:

**Sec. 1. Funds for Josias River Project.** The Town of Wells is authorized to appropriate funds and to issue bonds not to exceed \$30,000 for the improvement of the Josias River Project, so called.

**Sec. 2. State funds.** There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund of the State to the Town of Wells the sum of \$30,000 to aid said town to complete the Josias River Project, so called. Such appropriation shall not be available until a like amount has been appropriated by the Town of Wells for the same purpose.

**Emergency clause; referendum; effective date.** 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 Wells at any regular or special meeting called and held for the purpose not later than 6 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 that the selectmen shall not be required to prepare, 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 next preceding such special meeting.

The town clerk shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall the Act Relating to Completion of Josias River Project in Ogunquit, passed by the 99th Legislature, be accepted?" 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 the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act at said meeting equaled or exceeded 20% of the total vote cast for all candidates for Governor in said town at the next preceding gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the Town of Wells and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.