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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION (EMERGENCY)

NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, January 19, 1960.

Committee on Legal Affairs suggested.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Lewis of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY

AN ACT Increasing the Indebtedness of the Town of Palmyra School District.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the school building as originally constructed is no longer large enough; and

Whereas, the school population in the Town of Palmyra has greatly increased; and

Whereas, there are no existing buildings available to use for these students; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary for the health and welfare of the pupils attending said school that 4 additional rooms be constructed; 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:

P. & S. L., 1949, c. 175, § 3, amended. The first sentence of section 3 of chapter 175 of the private and special laws of 1949, as amended by chapter 189 of the private and special laws of 1953, is further amended to read as follows: 'To procure funds for the purposes of this act and such other expenses as may be necessary to carry out said purposes, the said district, by its trustees, is hereby authorized to issue its bonds and notes, but shall not incur a total indebtedness exceeding the sum of \$42,000 \$100,000.'

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 Palmyra, present and voting at the next annual town meeting or at a special town meeting called and held for the purpose not later than 8 months after the approval of this act. In the event a special meeting is called for the purpose, it shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided that the board of registration 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 board shall be in session 2 hours next preceding such special meeting.

The town clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall the Act Increasing the Indebtedness of the Town of Palmyra School District, passed by the First Special Session of 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 vote of the legal voters voting at said meeting; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act equaled or exceeded 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor in said town at the next preceding gubernatorial election.

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

STATEMENT OF FACTS

See emergency preamble.