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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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meeting to be held on Monday, March twenty-sixth, neglected to legally post such warrant, and

Whereas, if a town meeting is not held no money can be raised to carry on the affairs of the town for the ensuing municipal year, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section sixteen of article thirty-one of the constitution of the state 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. Authorized to hold annual meeting, 1923, in April. The inhabitants of the town of Ashland, in the county of Aroostook, are hereby authorized and empowered to hold their annual town meeting on any Monday in the month of April, in the year nineteen hundred twenty-three, instead of in March as required by statute, and said meeting, if held in April, shall be of the same effect and validity as if held in the month of March.

Sec. 2. Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 31, 1923.

Chapter 96.

An Act to Change the Board of Directors of the Maine Institution for the Blind.

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

Sec. 1. Board of directors to consist of eleven persons; how appointed; state supt. of schools to be a director. The board of directors of the Maine Institution for the Blind shall consist of eleven persons, six of whom shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, of which number the state superintendent of schools shall be one. The remaining five shall be by election of the said institution as now provided in its by-laws.

Sec. 2. Terms of directors. The term of the state superintendent of schools as a director of the Maine Institution for the Blind shall be co-existent with his term as such superintendent, the remaining five appointed by the governor as aforesaid shall be for the overlapping terms as now held.

Sec. 3. Authorized to change by-laws; majority of directors must be

appointed by governor or state aid forfeited. The Maine Institution for the Blind may change its by-laws to cover this change in the law and a majority in number of directors appointed by the governor shall be a condition precedent to the money aid extended by the state.

Sec. 4. Inconsistent statutes repealed. All acts or parts of acts and resolves inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved April 4, 1923.

Chapter 97.

An Act to Supply the Town of Winthrop with Pure Water.

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

Sec. 1. Town, by a commission, authorized to maintain water supply. The town of Winthrop by a commission as hereinafter provided, acting for and in behalf of said town, is authorized to take, hold, divert, use and distribute water from Narrows pond, so-called, in said Winthrop, and from Lake Maranacook in the towns of Winthrop and Readfield, either or both, and from any surface or underground brooks, springs, wells or streams in said Winthrop for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of Winthrop village and other portions of said town or any other municipality or water district with pure water for domestic, sanitary, commercial and municipal purposes.

Sec. 2. Right of eminent domain conferred. Said town is hereby authorized to take and hold, as for public uses, by purchase or otherwise, any land or interest therein or water rights necessary for erecting and maintaining dams, for flowage, for power for pumping its water supply through its mains, for reservoirs, for preserving the purity of the water and water shed, for laying and maintaining aqueducts and other structures for taking, distributing, discharging and disposing of water, and for rights of way or roadways to its sources of supply, dams, power stations, reservoirs, mains, aqueducts, structures and lands.

Sec. 3. Authorized to lay and maintain pipes, etc. Said town is hereby authorized to lay in and through the streets, roads, ways and highways of the said town of Winthrop and across private lands therein, and to maintain, repair, and replace all such pipes, aqueducts, conduits and fixtures as may be necessary and convenient for the purposes herein designated, and whenever said town shall lay any pipes, conduits or aqueducts in any street, roadway or highway it shall cause the same to be done with as little obstruction as practicable to the public travel, and shall at its own expense, without unreasonable delay, cause the earth and pavement removed by it to be replaced in proper condition.