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## Chapter 20.

An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Rockland to Provide That the Municipal Fiscal Year Shall End on the First Day of November.

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

P. & S. L., 1923, c. 106, sec. 26; relating to fiscal year and reports of city officers of Rockland, amended. Section twenty-six of chapter one hundred and six of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three is hereby amended by striking out the words "second Monday," in the second line thereof, and inserting the words 'first day' in the place thereof, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 26. Fiscal year ends November 1. The municipal fiscal year shall end on the first day of November. And the reports of all city officials shall be completed and made to the city council at a meeting to be held on the third Monday of November. And the city treasurer shall cause to be published in all the city papers issued during the week prior to the first Monday in December, an accurate summary of the reports of all officials receiving or disbursing moneys of the city, and a statement of the condition of the several appropriations.'

Approved March 3, 1927.

## Chapter 21.

An Act to Amend the Charter of Rumford Falls Village Corporation.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Rumford Falls Village Corporation under the provisions of its charter does not have authority to raise by taxation or loans sufficient funds to provide adequate police and fire protection for said Rumford Falls Village Corporation and for lighting its streets and building and maintaining its public sewers, and

Whereas, the said Rumford Falls Village Corporation cannot obtain such funds, unless its revenue is increased by the immediate passage of this act, and

Whereas, by reason of the foregoing facts the immediate passage of this act is necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and in the judgment of this legislature constitutes an emergency measure within the meaning of the constitution, now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1895, c. 54, sec. 3; relating to raising money, valuation, rate of taxation, etc., of Rumford Falls Village Corporation, amended..

Section three of chapter fifty-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 3. Provision for adopting assessors' valuation of Peru, eliminated; tax assessed not to exceed one and one-half per cent of valuation; debt limit may be three per cent; outstanding obligations made valid.** All moneys which shall be raised for the purposes aforesaid, or for any other purposes for which the corporation may lawfully raise money, shall be assessed upon the taxable polls and estates embraced within the limits of the corporation by the assessors thereof, in the same manner as is provided by law for the assessment of town and county taxes, and said assessors may copy and adopt the last valuation of the property within said corporation as made by the assessors of the town of Rumford and assess the tax thereon, or they may correct said valuation, or make a new one thereof, and assess the tax on that valuation, and may make abatements of taxes in the same manner as assessors of towns may do, but the tax on polls shall not exceed one dollar, at any one assessment, to any one person in any one year. The whole tax assessed on the property for all purposes in any one year shall not exceed one and one-half of one per cent of the last valuation as made or adopted by the assessors of said corporation, provided, however, said corporation shall have the right to raise money by loan for the purposes aforesaid at a legal meeting called therefor, but the total indebtedness incurred thereby, shall at no time exceed three per cent of the valuation aforesaid. All outstanding notes and bonds of said corporation up to, but not exceeding three per cent of the valuation as aforesaid are hereby declared to be legal and valid.'

**Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1895, c. 54, sec. 5; relating to duties of assessors, amended.** Section five of chapter fifty-four of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 5. Assessors may hire a village manager.** Said assessors shall be the general municipal officers of said corporation and shall have general charge of its affairs and of the expenditure of all money therein, except so far as the same may be committed to other officers or persons. And said assessors may hire a village manager to assist them in the performance of their duties.'

**Sec. 3. Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency set forth in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 3, 1927.