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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-fourth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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"Town of Benton School District" is hereby authorized to receive from the town of Benton, and said town of Benton is authorized to transfer and convey to said district, any property, real, personal or mixed, now or hereafter held by the town of Benton for school purposes, and any sums of money or other assets which said town of Benton has raised or may raise, either by taxation, borrowing or otherwise, for school purposes.

Sec. 9. Referendum. This act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of the legislature only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the territory embraced within the limits of said district, present and voting at a special election called and held for the purpose or at an annual municipal election held by the town of Benton. Such special election or annual municipal election shall be held not later than the next regular annual municipal election after the effective date of this act. In event a special election is called for the purpose, it shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the board of registration of said town of Benton shall not be required to prepare for posting, or the town clerk to post, a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters, said board shall be in session the 3 secular days next preceding such special election, the 1st and 2nd days thereof to be devoted to registration of voters, and the 3rd day to enable the board to verify the corrections of such list and to complete and close up their records of said sessions. 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 to Incorporate the Town of Benton School District be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a suitable mark placed over the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This act shall take effect for all the purposes thereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said election; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act at said election equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for governor in said town at the next previous election. The result in said district shall be declared by the municipal officers of the town of Benton, and due certificate filed by the town clerk with the secretary of state.

Effective August 6, 1949

Chapter 206

AN ACT Providing for the Establishment of a State of Maine Information Center.

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

Sec. 1. State of Maine Information Center, authorized. As a matter of public exigency, a building to be known as the "State of Maine Information

Center" shall be constructed in the town of Kittery on a suitable and convenient lot of land at, or near, the junction of the state highway, designated as U. S. Highway No. 1, and the terminus of the Maine turnpike. Said building shall be designed, constructed and used for the purpose of maintaining and operating an office or bureau to furnish assistance and impartial information to the people of the state, and to the general public, concerning the agricultural, industrial and recreational resources, activities and attractions of the state and its public travel routes. Said building shall also be so constructed as to provide adequate space for a suitable display of the industrial, agricultural, fishing and recreational activities and products of the people of the state. The construction and equipment of said building, including acquisition of suitable land, shall be under the authority and direction of Maine Development Commission which is hereby authorized to make all necessary contracts therefor; and upon completion thereof, its operation and maintenance shall be a function of said commission. Said commission may, at its discretion, choose a suitable agent or agents to administer the affairs and activities required by this act.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund the sum of \$60,000 for the construction and equipment of said building, including the acquisition of a lot of land therefor; and the provisions of sections 24-A to 24-C, inclusive, of chapter 1 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 248 of the public laws of 1945, are hereby made applicable thereto. This appropriation is for a capital expenditure and not of a recurring nature, and any unexpended balances shall not lapse, but shall remain a continuous carrying account until the purposes of this act have been accomplished.

Effective August 6, 1949

Chapter 207

AN ACT Relating to the Salary of the Judge of the Portland Municipal Court.

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

P. & S. L., 1891, c. 150, § 3, amended. Section 3 of chapter 150 of the private and special laws of 1891, as amended by chapter 61 of the private and special laws of 1925 and by chapter 98 of the private and special laws of 1945, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 3. Salary increased. The salary of the judge of said court shall be ~~\$3,000~~ \$3,500 per annum, ~~beginning January 1st, 1945,~~ in full for all services.'

Effective August 6, 1949