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AS PASSED BY THE

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shall have been completed, equipped, and occupied by the pupils of said district and the board of trustees of the district shall have discharged all of its principal obligations and the property of said district shall be free and clear of all indebtedness, the board of trustees shall automatically cease to function and all the duties, management, care and maintenance of the properties of said district shall revert to the superintending school committee of the town of Exeter or such other board as may, at that time, have jurisdiction over similar school property, and then the president and treasurer of said district shall cause to be executed, signed and delivered, a good and sufficient deed of all property of said district to the town of Exeter. All money, if any, remaining in the treasury of the board of trustees at the time it ceases to function, shall be given to the town treasurer of the town of Exeter. This money shall be used only for school purposes and shall be kept separate from all other money until authorized by the selectmen of Exeter to be expended for one or more of the purposes hereinbefore stated.

Emergency clause; effective date; referendum. In view of the emergency recited in the preamble hereof, this act shall take effect when approved, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the town of Exeter at any regular or special meeting called and held for the purpose not later than 8 months after the approval of this act. Such special meeting shall be called, advertised and conducted according to law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the selectmen of the town of Exeter 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 selectmen shall be in session the 3 secular days next preceding such 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 to Incorporate the Exeter School District, passed by the 97th Legislature, be accepted?” and 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 thereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act at said meeting equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor in said town at the next previous gubernatorial election.

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

Effective April 6, 1955

Chapter 96

AN ACT Repealing the Act to Regulate the Taking of Smelts in the Waters of Egypt Bay, Franklin Bay, Taunton Bay and River, in the Towns of Hancock, Franklin and Sullivan, Hancock County.

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

P. & S. L., 1913, c. 4, repealed. Chapter 4 of the private and special laws of 1913, as amended by chapter 9 of the private and special laws of 1917, is hereby repealed as follows:

‘Sec. 1. ~~Prohibitory limits altered. All persons are hereby prohibited from taking any smelts, except by hook and line, in the waters of Egypt bay, Frank-~~

lin bay, Taunton bay and river and their tributaries, lying above a line drawn from the Mount Desert ferry steamboat wharf easterly to the northern end of Ingalls' island and continuing in a straight line to the town of Sorrento, in the towns of Hancock, Franklin, Sullivan and Sorrento.

Sec. 2. Penalty. Whoever shall violate the provisions of section one of this act, shall for each offense be fined not more than fifty dollars.'

Effective August 20, 1955

Chapter 97

AN ACT Relating to Bonds for Slum Clearance and Redevelopment Authority of Portland.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1951, c. 217, § 8, sub-§§ (b) and (c), amended. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 8 of chapter 217 of the private and special laws of 1951 are hereby amended to read as follows:

(b) Upon the filing of the copy of such resolution, plat and statement in said registry of deeds, the filing in the superior court of the statement, and the depositing in said superior court, to the use of persons entitled thereto, of ~~such sum~~ bonds with surety satisfactory to the clerk of said court in such amounts as the court shall determine to be amply sufficient to satisfy the claims of all persons interested in said real property, and the court may, in its discretion, take evidence on the question to determine the ~~sum~~ amounts of the bonds to be deposited, title to such real property, or interest therein, shall vest in the Authority in fee simple absolute and said Authority thereupon may take possession of said real property, or interest therein.

(c) After the filing of such copy, plat and statement, notice of the taking of such real property, or interest therein, shall be served upon the owners of and persons having an estate in and interested in such real property by a sheriff or his deputies by leaving a true and attested copy of such description and statement with each of such persons personally, or at their last and usual place of abode in this state with some person living there. If any such persons are non-residents of the state, a true and attested copy of the notice shall be sent by registered mail, return receipt requested, to such persons at their last known address. In the event that ownership or interest in the real property can not be ascertained after due and diligent search, an award shall be made to persons unknown for the value of said property and bonds for said ~~amount~~ amounts running to the treasurer of said county for the use of persons entitled thereto shall be deposited in said superior court. If, during the period of 2 years after the depositing of such ~~funds~~ bonds, no person has been able to prove ownership of such real property, or interest therein, the superior court shall ~~return said sum~~ order the bonds so deposited to be cancelled and delivered up to the Authority. After the filing of such resolution, plat and statement, the Authority shall cause a copy of such resolution and statement, which statement shall set forth the names of the persons having an estate in such real property and the amount awarded to them, to be published in some newspaper published in the city of Portland at least once a week for 3 successive weeks. ~~If~~ When any person shall agree with the Authority for the price of the real