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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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STATE OF MAINE

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State of the sum of \$500, in addition to the fees prescribed by section 12 of said chapter 53.

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 99

AN ACT to Increase Borrowing Capacity of Town of Van Buren School District.

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

P. & S. L., 1947, c. 61, § 4, amended. The 1st sentence of section 4 of chapter 61 of the private and special laws of 1947 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'To procure funds for the purpose of this act and such other expense as may be necessary to the carrying out of said purposes, the said district is hereby authorized to issue its bonds and notes, but shall not incur a total indebtedness exceeding the sum of ~~\$125,000~~ \$450,000.'

Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State. This act shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the town of Van Buren at the regular town meeting to be held in 1958, an appropriate article being inserted in the call for 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 Increase Borrowing Capacity of Town of Van Buren School District, passed by the 98th 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 hereof 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 equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor in said town at the next preceding gubernatorial election.

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

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 100

AN ACT to Amend the Charter of the West Branch Driving and Reservoir Dam Company.

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

P. & S. L., 1903, c. 174, § 7, repealed and replaced. Section 7 of chapter 174 of the private and special laws of 1903 is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 7. Prices for driving logs. Said West Branch Driving and Reservoir Dam Company shall receive for driving the logs as aforesaid into Shad Pond the

cost thereof as determined by said Company in accordance with accepted accounting principles. If any interested person shall dispute the determination of such cost, then such cost shall be determined by a commission of 3 disinterested persons appointed in accordance with and having the powers specified by the provisions of section 3 of this act. Such cost, as determined by the commission, shall be reported to the Superior Court in and for the county of Penobscot. The Court may confirm such report or reject it, or recommit the same, or submit the subject matter thereof to a new commission. The expense of such commission shall be paid for as the commission shall direct.'

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 101

AN ACT Amending the Charter of the City of Brewer.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1931, c. 75, Art. II, § 2, repealed and replaced. Section 2 of Article II of chapter 75 of the private and special laws of 1931, as amended by section 1 of chapter 81 of the private and special laws of 1955, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 2. Terms of members; compensation. The city council shall consist of 5 members, who shall be elected at large by and from the qualified voters of the city for a term of 3 years from the 2nd Monday in November next following the date of their election and until their successors are elected and qualified; except that at the first election after the adoption of this amendment to the charter of the city of Brewer the 2 candidates having the largest number of votes shall serve for 3 years and the candidate having the next largest number of votes shall serve for 2 years. At the second election after the adoption of this amendment to said charter, the 2 candidates receiving the largest number of votes shall serve for 3 years. At the third election after the adoption of this amendment to said charter, the candidate receiving the largest number of votes shall serve for 3 years, and each shall hold office until his successor is elected and qualified. Thereafter, at each annual municipal election, there shall be chosen at large one or 2 members (as the case may be) of the city council to fill the office of the member or members of the city council whose terms of office expire that year.

Each member of the city council, other than the chairman or mayor, shall receive the sum of \$200 per year in full for compensation. The member elected chairman or mayor for the ensuing year shall receive the sum of \$300 per year in full for compensation; all such compensation to be payable quarterly.'

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1931, c. 75, Art. II, § 5, amended. The first sentence of section 5 of Article II of chapter 75 of the private and special laws of 1931, as amended by section 2 of chapter 81 of the private and special laws of 1955, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'The city council shall meet at the usual place for holding meetings at ten o'clock A. M. on the 2nd Monday in ~~December~~ November next following the regular city election, at which time the councilmen-elect shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties by a justice of the peace or by the city clerk.'