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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-eighth Legislature

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# STATE OF MAINE

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**Sec. 2. Effective date.** This act shall become effective for all purposes, except education, at the annual meeting in March, 1958.

**Sec. 3. Effective date for education.** This act shall become effective for education purposes July 1, 1958, on which date the Town of Medford shall assume full responsibility for providing the educational opportunities as required and permitted under the laws of the State, and the Town of Medford shall thereafter be subject to the same requirements, benefits and privileges as other towns in the State. The first full subsidy payment under the provisions of the General Purpose Educational Aid Law shall be due and payable December, 1959, said subsidy to be based on expenditures made by the State for the unorganized territory of Medford, as described in sections 159 to 166, inclusive, of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, it being the intent to base subsidy on the expenditures Medford would have made had it been an organized municipality.

**Sec. 4. Responsibility of State.** The State of Maine shall assume responsibility for any outstanding indebtedness at the time of reincorporation; and thereafter neither the Town of Medford nor the inhabitants therein shall be deemed responsible for any obligations incurred prior to these dates.

**Sec. 5. Town not required to be a member of the Maine Forestry District.** After the effective date of this act in March, 1958, the Town of Medford shall not be required to be a member of the Maine Forestry District, except as other towns are required or permitted to do so.

**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 within the unorganized territory of Medford at an election to be called and held within said territory on the third Monday in September, 1957. Such election shall be called, held and conducted by the Secretary of State in the same manner as local option elections in unorganized territory are conducted in accordance with the provisions of section 23 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, except that no petition for said election shall be required.

This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said election; provided the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act equals or exceeds 50% of the total number of registered voters in said unorganized territory.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the Secretary of State and due certificate thereof filed by him in his office.

Effective August 28, 1957

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## Chapter 189

**AN ACT Authorizing Sunset Real Estate Corporation to Construct a Bridge Across Medomak River.**

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

**Construction of bridge across Medomak river authorized.** Sunset Real Estate Corporation, its successors and assigns are hereby authorized and empowered to

locate, erect and maintain a causeway and bridge across the flats and tidewaters of Medomak river between Wolsgrover Island in the town of Friendship and the mainland of said town which lies opposite said Island. The location and route of said causeway and bridge shall be as follows: Beginning at the northwesterly end of the town way or highway leading from State route #220 to Timber Point, so called, in said town; thence in a northwesterly direction across the flats to a large rock near low water mark; thence continuing at a slight angle to the right in a northwesterly direction across tidewater and across flats of said corporation to the upland of said Island owned and improved by said corporation. Said causeway and bridge shall be 12 feet wide on top and may have an overall width of 14 feet at the point where it joins said road and a gradually increasing overall width proportionate to its height as it extends toward and over tidewater. Said bridge shall have a span between supports or pilings across tidewater at its deepest point of at least 25 feet and at such span shall have a clearance above mean high water of at least 15 feet and in any event not less than that specified therefor by the United States Army Engineers. Said causeway and bridge shall not be constructed unless and until either Sunset Real Estate Corporation, its successors or assigns have acquired by deed a right of way therefor across the flats adjoining the mainland on which the same is to be located or a town way or private way across land, flats and tidewater from said town way or highway first above mentioned to the upland of said Island owned by said corporation, for the purpose of erecting and maintaining said causeway and bridge thereon, has been laid out, accepted and established or finally located pursuant to and subject to the provisions of sections 29, 31, 34, 40, 41 and 42 of chapter 96 of the Revised Statutes, such action being hereby authorized.

Effective August 28, 1957

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## Chapter 190

### AN ACT to Authorize Ferry Service for North Haven, Vinalhaven, Islesboro and Swan's Island.

**Preamble.** Two-thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with Section 14 of Article IX of the Constitution:

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

**Sec. 1. Ferry service for North Haven, Vinalhaven, Islesboro and Swan's Island.** It shall be the duty of the Maine Port Authority to operate a ferry line or lines between the mainland and the towns of North Haven, Vinalhaven, Islesboro and Swan's Island for the purpose of transporting vehicles, freight and passengers to and from said towns.

**Sec. 2. Purchase of equipment and property.** Suitable boats, wharves, landing places and all other necessary appurtenances shall be secured by the Maine Port Authority through purchase, lease, condemnation or agreement so as to adequately provide for transporting vehicles, freight and passengers to and from said towns of North Haven, Vinalhaven, Islesboro and Swan's Island at an estimated cost of \$2,500,000. Said cost and interest during the establishment of such ferry line or lines shall be taken and appropriated from the proceeds of bonds issued under authority of this act.