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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

## Ninety-ninth Legislature

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

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'Sec. 12. Application. The provisions of the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 53, and amendments thereto, do not apply to the Topsham Sewer District.'

Effective September 12, 1959

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## Chapter 129

**AN ACT to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds in the Amount of Thirteen Million Dollars on Behalf of the State of Maine for the purpose of Building State Highways.**

**Preamble.** Two-thirds of both Houses of Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with Section 14 of Article IX of the Constitution to authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine for the purpose of building state highways.

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

**Sec. 1. Bond issue of \$13,000,000 authorized.** In addition to state highway and bridge bonds heretofore authorized in the name and behalf of the State, as provided by law, the Treasurer of State is hereby authorized, under the direction of the Governor and Council, to issue from time to time, serial coupon bonds in the name and behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding \$13,000,000 payable serially at the State Treasury within 20 years from the date of issue. Such bonds and coupons shall be of such denominations and form and upon such terms and conditions, not inconsistent herewith, as the Governor and Council shall direct. The proceeds from the sale of said bonds shall be used for construction or reconstruction of roads and bridges in accordance with allocations made by the Legislature.

The said bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the faith and credit of the State. The said bonds shall be issued from time to time so as to meet the needs of the road-building program. Said bonds when paid at maturity or otherwise retired shall not be reissued, but may be refunded on terms more favorable to the State than those in the original issue.

**Sec. 2. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue.** Section 1 of this act shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State of Maine shall have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this act.

**Sec. 3. Declaration of intent.** It is the intent of the 99th Legislature that if the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$13,000,000 is authorized by the Legislature and ratified by the people of the State of Maine in the referendum as provided for in this act, the allocation for Special State Aid Construction for the biennium July 1, 1961-June 30, 1963 shall be in the amount of \$1,000,000 annually.

**Sec. 4. Referendum for ratification.** The aldermen of cities, the selectmen of towns, and the assessors of the several plantations of this State are hereby empowered and directed to notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and holding biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of Senators and Representatives, at the next general or special state-wide election, to give in their votes upon the acceptance or rejection of the foregoing act, and the question shall be:

"Shall a bond issue be ratified for the purposes set forth in 'An Act to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds in the Amount of Thirteen Million Dollars on Behalf of the State of Maine for the Purpose of Building State Highways,' passed by the 99th Legislature?"

And the inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed within a square upon their ballots their opinion of the same, those in favor of ratification voting "Yes" and those opposed to ratification voting "No" and the ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings, and return made to the office of the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for Governor and Members of the Legislature, and the Governor and Council shall count the same and if it shall appear that a majority of the inhabitants voting on the question are in favor of said act, the Governor shall forthwith make known the fact by his proclamation, and the act shall thereupon become effective in 30 days after the date of said proclamation.

**Secretary of State shall prepare ballots.** The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to the several cities, towns and plantations ballots and blank returns in conformity with the provisions of the foregoing act, accompanied by a copy thereof.

Effective September 12, 1959

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## Chapter 130

### AN ACT Permitting the Town of Freeport to Provide Educational Scholarships.

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

**Town of Freeport to provide scholarships.** The Town of Freeport may raise or appropriate money for the purpose of providing one-year tuition scholarships to worthy resident secondary school graduates of the Town of Freeport who have gained admission to any Maine college or university, said scholarships not to exceed the annual tuition charge to the University of Maine in the curriculum to which the recipient is admitted.

Said scholarships shall be awarded by a committee composed of the secondary school principal, the superintendent of schools, the members of the superintending school committee, the municipal officers, and one additional professional employee of the school department designated by the superintendent of schools, all of the Town of Freeport.

In the event that no qualified applicant shall apply, the scholarship fund shall continue until awarded.

The treasurer of the Town of Freeport shall have custody of the scholarship fund. Payment shall be made directly to the institution upon receipt of a properly avouched invoice for tuition.

Effective September 12, 1959