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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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## Chapter 156

### AN ACT to Extend the Rights, Powers and Privileges of the Passamaquoddy District Authority.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature unless enacted as emergencies ; and

Whereas, the Passamaquoddy District Authority created in 1945 will expire in August, 1959 unless the following legislation is enacted ; and

Whereas, the continuation of the authority is vitally necessary for the benefit of the citizens of Maine ; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety ; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1945, c. 65, § 18, amended.** Section 18 of chapter 65 of the private and special laws of 1945, as amended by section 1 of chapter 65 of the private and special laws of 1951, is further amended to read as follows:

'**Sec. 18. Limitation of act.** The rights and powers granted by this act shall terminate at the expiration of ~~14~~ 21 years from the day this act becomes effective unless the work of construction of a tidal power plant has actually been commenced before that date and shall so terminate at the expiration of ~~20~~ 30 years unless a tidal power plant is then in operation. A tidal power plant shall include a tidal power test plant for the purposes of this section.'

**Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1945, c. 65, extended.** The rights, powers and privileges of the Passamaquoddy District Authority which were granted by chapter 65 of the private and special laws of 1945 and which were extended by chapter 65 of the private and special laws of 1951, are hereby extended for and during the period of time specified in section 1 of this act, and all the rights, powers and privileges that were granted by said chapter may and shall be exercised in the same manner and for the same purposes as provided in said chapter.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Effective May 28, 1959

## Chapter 157

### AN ACT to Construct a Bridge Between Lubec and Campobello Island.

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

**Highway bridge between Lubec and Campobello Island.** The State Highway Commission is authorized to construct, in conjunction with the Government of

Canada or the Province of New Brunswick, or both, an international, free highway bridge across the waters between the Town of Lubec in Washington County and Campobello Island in the Province of New Brunswick, Canada, and approaches to said bridge. Such bridge shall not be constructed until the Government of Canada or the Province of New Brunswick, or both, shall provide a sum of money adequate to pay its or their share of the cost and until the Town of Lubec shall provide such right of way as is required for the Maine approach.

The expenditure of any state or federal funds available for such bridge and approaches thereto, and the location, planning and construction of the bridge as far as the State of Maine is concerned shall be under the direction and supervision of the State Highway Commission.

The State Highway Commission is authorized and empowered to accept for the State any federal funds available for the purposes of this act.

The Town of Lubec is to make available to the State Highway Commission \$12,000 from the joint state aid fund, in addition to providing such right of way as is required for the Maine approach.

The sum of \$313,000 is hereby allocated from the General Highway Fund to aid in carrying out the purposes of this act.

Effective September 12, 1959

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## Chapter 158

### AN ACT Creating the Portland Coliseum Recreation Center.

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

**Sec. 1. Portland Coliseum Recreation Center created.** The inhabitants of, and the territory within, the City of Portland in the County of Cumberland shall be and hereby are constituted a body politic and corporate under the name of "Portland Coliseum Recreation Center," hereinafter sometimes called the "district," for the purpose of acquiring property within said City of Portland for recreational and municipal purposes, and erecting, enlarging, repairing, equipping, maintaining and operating on said property a building or buildings and related athletic, recreational and municipal facilities, and facilities for the parking of all manner of vehicles. The said district, subject to the approval of the planning board for and within the City of Portland, is authorized to acquire land and buildings for said purposes by purchase, gift, lease and to construct on land so acquired a building, or buildings, and parking facilities for said purposes. The said district is authorized to make and execute leases of any portions of such buildings and land for such rent and on such terms and conditions as the trustees of the district may determine. The location of all such buildings and parking facilities shall be determined by the trustees of the district, subject to the approval of the planning board of the City of Portland. All property of said district shall be tax exempt.

**Sec. 2. Authority to acquire and hold property.** The said district is authorized and empowered to acquire and hold real and personal property necessary or convenient for the purposes of this act by purchase, gift, lease or otherwise, as for public uses, any lands, buildings, real estate, easements or interests therein.