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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

## One Hundred and Fourth Legislature

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

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**One Hundred and Third Legislature**  
AT THE  
SPECIAL SESSIONS

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September 18, 1968

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## Chapter 536

### AN ACT Relating to Referendum Under Maine Housing Authorities Act.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 4701, amended.** The 5th sentence of the first paragraph of section 4701 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 80 of the public laws of 1967, is further amended to read as follows:

No authority shall enter into any contract for loans, grants, contributions or other financial assistance with the Federal Government for any project unless or until the governing body of its city, after referendum duly held thereon, and a majority of the voters voting, having voted in favor thereof, or any regular, special or other duly constituted meeting of its town, as the case may be, shall, by resolution duly adopted, have approved its entering into such contract, provided that **no such referendum shall be required, unless initiated as provided, where the authority is of a city whose population is in excess of 60,000. In any city whose population is in excess of 60,000 the voters may require that such a referendum be held by submitting a written petition therefor to the governing body of the city signed by a number of voters equal to at least 10% of the number of votes cast in the last gubernatorial election. The petition shall be presented within 30 calendar days after the initial approval by the governing body of the city of the entering into the contract. The governing body shall authorize and make the necessary provisions for the holding of said referendum, including phrasing of the referendum question, on a date not later than 60 calendar days from the date of receipt of the petition by the governing body. nothing** Nothing contained in this ~~or the succeeding paragraphs of this~~ section shall require the holding of a referendum to authorize the housing authority of any city or town to enter into any contract for loans, grants, contributions or other financial assistance with the Federal Government for the rehabilitation, alteration or repairs of any housing project already existing and in operation on the date of such contract.

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, § 4701, amended.** The last 2 paragraphs of section 4701 of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes are repealed.

Effective April 26, 1968

## Chapter 537

### AN ACT Relating to Tax on Real Estate Transfers.

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

Whereas, the 103rd Legislature in regular session by chapter 154 of the private and special laws of 1967 provided for a tax on real estate transfers; and