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Department heads are directed that the granting of merit increases be scrutinized and documented carefully. It is the intent of the Legislature that in instances where merit increases are not earned and warranted they should be denied.

Sec. 3. Exclusion. Exclusive of the provisions of sections 1 and 2 above, the commission may expend up to \$50,000 for Capital Expenditures in each year of the 1967-68 and 1968-69 biennium.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 28, § 52, amended. Section 52 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end, a new sentence, as follows:

Neither the commission, nor any employee, shall accept directly or indirectly any samples, gratuities, favors or anything of value from a manufacturer, seller, brewer or licensee or any representative of the same.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect July 1, 1967.

Effective July 1, 1967

Chapter 152

AN ACT to Authorize Bond Issue in Amount of Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars for Construction of a Regional Care Facility for the Severely Mentally Retarded at Bangor.

Preamble. Two-thirds of both Houses of the 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 construction of a Regional Care Facility for the Severely Mentally Retarded at Bangor.

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

Sec. 1. Issue of bonds to provide for construction. The Treasurer of State is 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 \$350,000 for the purpose of raising funds to provide for such construction as authorized by section 6. Said bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the faith and credit of the State. Said bonds shall not run for a longer period than 20 years from the date of the original issue thereof.

Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued to be kept by State Auditor and Treasurer. The State Auditor shall keep an account of such bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date of countersigning, the date when payable and the date of delivery thereof to the Treasurer of State, who shall keep an account of each bond, showing the number thereof, the name of the person to whom sold, the amount received for the same, the date of sale and the date when payable.

Sec. 3. Sale, how negotiated; proceeds appropriated. The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale of such bonds by direction of the Governor and Council; but no such bond shall be loaned, pledged or hypothecated in behalf of the

State. The proceeds of the sales of such bonds, which shall be held by the Treasurer of State and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the Governor and Council, are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Act. The Treasurer of State is authorized to invest the proceeds of the sale of the bonds during the period when the proceeds are not needed for the purposes set forth in this Act and the interest therefrom shall be paid into the General Fund. Any unencumbered balances remaining at the completion of the projects listed in section 6 shall lapse to the debt service account established for the retirement of these bonds.

Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement. Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under the provisions of this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at maturity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Sec. 5. Disbursement of bond proceeds. The proceeds of such bonds shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the Director of the Bureau of Public Improvements.

Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund Bond issue.

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Construction of a regional care facility for severely mentally retarded persons at Bangor on state-property controlled by the Department of Mental Health and Corrections, said facility to be under the administration of said department and to be used primarily for the care of mentally retarded children of any age, including children under the age of 5 years, and to be open to any severely mentally retarded person regardless of the cause of his mental retardation. Any federal funds now available or becoming available for the purpose of matching funds, such as the funds allocated by this section, may be accepted, received and utilized by the State in connection with the funds allocated by this section and for the purpose for which funds are allocated by this section.

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Sec. 7. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. Sections 1 to 6 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. 8. 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 Bond Issue in Amount of Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars for Construction of a Regional Care Facility for the Severely Mentally Retarded at Bangor,' passed by the 103rd Legislature?"

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 foregoing Act, accompanied by a copy thereof.

Effective October 7, 1967

Chapter 153

AN ACT to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds in the Amount of Twelve Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars on Behalf of the State of Maine to Build State Highways.

Preamble. Two-thirds of both Houses of the Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with the Constitution, Article IX, Section 14, 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 \$12,800,000 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 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 \$12,800,000 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. Allocation of General Highway Fund. Receipts to the General Highway Fund for the next 2 fiscal years—from July 1, 1967 to June 30, 1968 and from July 1, 1968 to June 30, 1969—from the proceeds of the sale of bonds shall