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Chapter 155

AN ACT Appropriating Funds for Testimonials for Marking Unmarked Graves of Revolutionary War Soldiers.

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

Marking of graves of soldiers of the Revolutionary War; appropriation. The sum of \$300 from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund is appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968 for the purpose of procuring testimonials to be used in marking the unmarked graves of the soldiers of the Revolutionary War and making a list of the marked graves.

With the approval of the Governor and Council, said sum shall be paid into the treasury of the "Sons of the American Revolution," with which they are authorized to procure and distribute such number of markers as may, from time to time, be required for the purposes specified and to distribute the list of marked graves.

Effective October 7, 1967

Chapter 156

AN ACT to Authorize the Construction of a Bridge Across the Androscoggin River Between the Cities of Auburn and Lewiston.

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

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

Sec. 1. Highway Commission authorized to construct bridge across the Androscoggin River. The State Highway Commission is authorized to construct a bridge across the Androscoggin River between the Cities of Auburn and Lewiston with approaches thereto at an estimated cost of \$4,500,000. The cost of said bridge, with the highway approaches thereto, shall be taken and appropriated from the proceeds of bonds issued under authority of this Act.

Sec. 2. Treasurer of State to issue bonds. The Treasurer of State is authorized, under the direction of the Governor and Council, to issue from time to time serial coupon bonds redeemable before maturity in the name and behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding \$4,500,000 for the purpose of raising funds for the construction of said bridge and approaches, as provided in this Act. Said bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the faith and credit of the State. 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. 3. Records of bonds issued to be kept by State Auditor and Treasurer of State. 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. 4. 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. Any balance unexpended shall not lapse, but shall be carried forward to the same account to be used only for the purposes herein set forth.

Sec. 5. Proceeds of bonds not available for other purposes; must be kept separate from other funds. The proceeds of all bonds issued under authority of this Act shall at all times be kept distinct from all other moneys of the State and shall not be drawn upon or be available for any other purpose.

Sec. 6. Interest and debt retirement. Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds shall be paid by the Treasurer of State.

Sec. 7. Disbursement of bond proceeds. The proceeds of such bonds shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the State Highway Commission.

Sec. 8. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue. No action shall be taken or liability incurred under this Act unless and until the people of Maine shall have ratified the issuance of bonds in behalf of the State at such times and in such amounts as set forth in this Act for the purpose of building a bridge across the Androscoggin River between the Cities of Auburn and Lewiston.

Referendum for ratification. The aldermen of cities, the selectmen of towns and the assessors of the several plantations of this State are 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 in an amount not to exceed \$4,500,000 as set forth in 'An Act to Authorize the Construction of a Bridge Across the Androscoggin River between the Cities of Auburn and Lewiston,' 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 said ratification voting "Yes" and those opposed to said 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 the Act, the Governor shall forthwith make known the fact by his proclamation, and the Act shall 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 157

AN ACT Appropriating Funds to Aid in Dredging the Saco River.

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

Appropriating funds to aid in dredging the Saco River. There is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to the Cities of Saco and Biddeford the sum of \$31,000 to aid said cities to provide for 2 anchorages, 6 feet deep at mean low water, totaling 10½ acres in area near the mouth of the river and a 9-acre maneuvering and anchorage basin at the head of navigation. Such appropriation shall not be available until the sum of \$31,000 has been appropriated by the Cities of Biddeford and Saco for the same purpose and the sum of \$138,000 shall have been made available by the United States under section 107 of the 1960 River and Harbor Act for the same purpose. Such appropriation shall not lapse until June 30, 1969.

Effective October 7, 1967

Chapter 158

AN ACT to Authorize the Plantation of Matinicus Isle to Form a School Administrative District.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, there is a vital need for safe and adequate school facilities on the island; and

Whereas, the State Board of Education may not authorize the island to become a School Administrative District; and

Whereas, it is impossible for the island to join with other municipalities in district formation; and

Whereas, the Revised Statutes of 1964, Title 20, section 212, provides that the Legislature may establish single town administrative districts; 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: