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Chapter 78

RESOLVE, Proposing Amendments to the Constitution Relating to Temporary Loans in Anticipation of State Tax Revenues and Limitations Thereon.

Constitutional amendment. Resolved: Two-thirds of each branch of the Legislature concurring, that the following amendments to the Constitution of this State be proposed:

Constitution, Article IX, Section 14, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 14 of Article IX of the Constitution of this State is amended to read as follows:

The Legislature shall not create any debt or debts, liability or liabilities, on behalf of the State, which shall singly, or in the aggregate, with previous debts and liabilities hereafter incurred at any one time, exceed two million dollars, except to suppress insurrection, to repel invasion, or for purposes of war, and except for temporary loans to be paid out of money raised by taxation during the fiscal year in which they are made; and excepting also that whenever two-thirds of both Houses shall deem it necessary, by proper enactment ratified by a majority of the electors voting thereon at a general or special election, the Legislature may authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State at such times and in such amounts and for such purposes as approved by such action; but this shall not be construed to refer to any money that has been, or may be deposited with this State by the Government of the United States, or to any fund which the State shall hold in trust for any Indian tribe.

Constitution, Article IX, Section 14, amended. Section 14 of Article IX of the Constitution, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end, a new sentence, as follows:

Temporary loans to be paid out of moneys raised by taxation during any fiscal year shall not exceed in the aggregate during the fiscal year in question an amount greater than 10% of all the moneys appropriated, authorized and allocated by the Legislature from undedicated revenues to the General Fund and dedicated revenues to the Highway Fund for that fiscal year, exclusive of proceeds or expenditures from the sale of bonds, or greater than 1% of the total valuation of the State of Maine, whichever is the lesser.

Form of question and date when amendments shall be voted upon. Resolved: That 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 election in the month of November or special state-wide election, on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November following the passage of this resolve, to give in their votes upon the amendments proposed in the foregoing resolution, and the question shall be:

"Shall the Constitution be amended as proposed by a resolution of the Legislature Relating to Temporary Loans in Anticipation of State Tax Revenues and Limitations Thereon?"

The inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations shall vote by ballot on said question, and shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the

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words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns 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 review the same, and if it shall appear that a majority of the inhabitants voting on the question are in favor of the amendments, the Governor shall forthwith make known the fact by his proclamation, and the amendments shall thereupon, as of the date of said proclamation, become a part of the Constitution.

Secretary of State shall prepare ballots. Resolved: That the Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to the several cities, towns and plantations ballots and blank returns in conformity with the foregoing resolve, accompanied by a copy thereof.

Effective October 7, 1967

Chapter 79

RESOLVE, Increasing Retirement Benefit of Charles S. Hulbert of Shin Pond.

Charles S. Hulbert; retirement benefit increased. Resolved: That the retirement benefit now being paid to Charles S. Hulbert of Shin Pond, under the State Retirement System, be increased by the amount of \$25.88 monthly; and be it further

Resolved: That there is appropriated from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to the Maine State Retirement System the sum of \$2,140 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968 to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

Effective October 7, 1967

Chapter 80

RESOLVE, Providing Funds for the Narraguagus River Water Control Program.

Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission; appropriation for. Resolved: That there is appropriated from the General Fund to the Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission the sum of \$15,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968 and the sum of \$8,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1969 to carry out a program of water control for improved salmon production on the Narraguagus River. Any unexpended balance shall not lapse, but shall remain a continuing account until June 30, 1970.

The breakdown shall be as follows:

Department	1967-68	1968-69
ATLANTIC SEA RUN SALMON COMMISSION		
All Other	\$15.000	\$8,500