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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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Chapter 373

AN ACT to Permit the Payment of School Construction Aid Upon the Completion of a Project.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 20, § 304, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 304 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 3 of chapter 224 of the public laws of 1967, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentences:

The outstanding indebtedness for capital outlay purposes shall include state aid paid for school construction purposes. The amount paid by the State shall be reduced in proportion as the district reduces the principal of its indebtedness.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 20, § 3460, additional. Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 3460, to read as follows:

§ 3460. Payment of school construction aid

If funds become available, the State Board of Education may authorize the following alternate method of paying school construction aid. On any eligible project approved subsequent to July 1, 1969, the administrative unit shall be reimbursed the eligible amount of its capital outlay expenditure upon filing the necessary reports with the commissioner and submitting proof that the project has been completed in accordance with approved plans. One-half of the financial assistance due the unit, based upon the total estimated capital outlay expenditures of the project approved by the commissioner, shall be paid when evidence is submitted that the appropriate local officials have contracted or arranged for the construction of the facility or facilities. When the project is completed and a full report of the capital outlay expenditures of said project is made to the commissioner and proof has been submitted showing that the project was completed in accordance with approved plans, the eligible unit shall be reimbursed the difference between the total amount of state aid for which the project can qualify and the amount of construction subsidy paid the administrative unit at the start of the project. If the State Board of Education authorizes the alternate method of paying school construction aid, financing charges incurred by the local administrative unit shall not be included as capital outlay expenditures on any project approved by the state board subsequent to July 1, 1969; provided, however, that any interest paid by a School Administrative District or a municipality in borrowing on temporary loans in anticipation of state aid shall be reimbursed by the State upon application of the unit to the commissioner following the receipt of the final payment of state assistance on the said project.

The principal amount of indebtedness incurred for school construction and assumed by a School Administrative District, which school construction project was approved by the state board subsequent to July 1, 1969, shall be reimbursed to the School Administrative District, as though contracted by the School Administrative District. Payment shall be made upon receipt of the necessary reports filed with the commissioner and proof that the debt has

been so assumed together with proof that the project was approved by the state board subsequent to July 1, 1969 and completed in accordance with approved plans.

Effective October 1, 1969

Chapter 374

AN ACT Relating to Strikes of Insurance Agents.

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

R. S., T. 24-A, c. 65, additional. Title 24-A of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new chapter 65, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 65

STRIKES OF INSURANCE AGENTS

§ 475I. Life, noncancellable health, hospital expense and hospital and surgical expense insurance contracts; default in payment of premium during strike of insurance agents

1. Default. No contract of life, noncancellable health, hospital expense or hospital and surgical expense, insurance which goes into effect in this State on or after the 30th day after January 2, 1970 shall lapse during any 30-day period immediately following the inception of a strike by reason of any default in the payment of any premium during a strike of insurance agents employed by an insurer authorized to transact business in this State, if

A. The collection of the contract premium was, at commencement of the strike, a duty, charge or obligation of any of such agents, according to the records, books, instructions, practice or organization of the insurer, and

B. Such agents are represented for purposes of collective bargaining by a labor organization which has been so recognized or certified or has been a party to any collective bargaining agreement with the insurer.

2. Definitions. For the purpose of this section:

A. Lapse. "Lapse" shall mean lapse, be terminated or in any way modified or qualified as to the obligations of the insurer and the right of the insured.

B. Premium. "Premium" shall mean premium, interest, assessment or any other payment or charge for or in connection with the insurance which would be due to the insurer under the insurance contract during the strike of agents, except for the operation of this section.