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with the requirements of any other state law applicable to the making of contracts and the issuance of bonds, notes and other obligations, for the construction and acquisition of any project undertaken pursuant to this chapter. No proceedings, notice or approval shall be required for the issuance of any bonds, notes and other obligations or any instrument as security therefor, except as is provided in this chapter.

§ 2074. Act liberally construed

This chapter, being necessary for the welfare of the State and its inhabitants, shall be liberally construed so as to effect its purposes.

Sec. 2. Funding. This Act requires no appropriation from the General Fund. Private parties and individuals have pledged to make gifts to the State of Maine for the express purpose of furnishing the start-up costs of the authority. Thereafter the authority will be self funding.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 304

AN ACT Defining the Standards of Judicial Review in Appeals from Orders and Decisions of the Environmental Improvement Commission.

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

R. S., T. 38, § 415, repealed and replaced. Section 415 of Title 38 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 10 of chapter 475 of the public laws of 1967 and as amended by section 3-B of chapter 431 of the public laws of 1969, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 415. Appeals

Except where otherwise specified by statute, any person aggrieved by any order or decision of the commission in regard to any matter upon which there was a hearing before the commission and of which a transcript of said hearing is available, may, within 30 days after notice of the filing of such order or decision, appeal therefrom to the Superior Court by filing a notice of appeal stating the points of appeal. Notice of the appeal shall be ordered by the court without a jury in the manner and with the rights provided by law in other civil actions so heard. The proceedings shall not be de novo. The court shall receive into evidence true copies of the transcript of the hearing, the exhibits thereto and, the decision of the commission. The court's review shall be limited to questions of law and to whether the commission acted regularly and within the scope of its authority and the commission's decision shall be final so long as supported by substantial evidence. The court may affirm, reverse or remand the commission's decision for further proceedings. Appeals from all other orders or decisions of the commission, unless otherwise specified by statute, shall be taken pursuant to Rule 80B of the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure.