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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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AT THE

SPECIAL SESSION

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to

March 29, 1974

CHAPTER 168

AN ACT Increasing Indebtedness of Caribou Hospital District.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the present hospital of the City of Caribou is overcrowded and inadequate for present day needs and many patients are not able to receive medical attention when needed, due to the present facilities being overcrowded and inadequate to supply the medical needs of the district; and

Whereas, it is imperative that action be taken at the earliest possible moment to relieve these conditions; and

Whereas, to remedy these conditions, construction must be commenced immediately; 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:

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1953, c. 12, § 4, amended. The first sentence of section 4 of chapter 12 of the private and special laws of 1953, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

To procure funds for the purposes of this Act and for such other expenses as may be necessary to carry out said purposes, the said district, by its trustees, is hereby authorized from time to time to borrow money and to issue its bonds and notes therefor, but shall not incur a total indebtedness exceeding the sum of \$1,500,000 \$8,000,000 outstanding at any one time.

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1953, c. 12, § 4, amended. Section 4 of chapter 12 of the private and special laws of 1953, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, the district, by its trustees, is not empowered to issue any bonds or notes for the purpose of financing the erecting, enlarging, repairing, equipping, or maintaining of a hospital building or hospital buildings and related hospital, medical and surgical equipment until the project which is the subject matter of the issuance of bonds or notes has been reviewed and approved by the appropriate regional and state health planning agencies as organized pursuant to the Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 253.

Emergency clause; effective date; referendum. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the territory embraced within the limits of said district present and voting at a special meeting called and held for that purpose or at an annual city meeting of the City of Caribou, not later than 6 months after the approval of this Act. In the event a special meeting is called for the purpose, it shall be called, ad-

vertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the board of registration in said City of Caribou shall not be required to prepare for posting nor the city clerk to post, a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters, said board shall be in session the 3 secular days next preceding such special meeting, the first and and days thereof to be devoted to registration of voters, and the 3rd day to enable the board to verify the corrections of such list and to complete and close up their records of said sessions. The city clerk shall prepare the required ballots on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this Act to the following question: "Shall the amendment to the Caribou Hospital District Act, passed by the first special session of the 106th Legislature, be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority vote of the legal voters voting at said meeting; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act at said meeting equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor in said city at the next preceding gubernatorial election. The result in said district shall be declared by the municipal officers of the City of Caribou, and due certificate filed by the city clerk with the Secretary of State.

Effective January 18, 1974

CHAPTER 169

AN ACT Relating to the Collection and Disposal of Solid Wastes by the Lincoln County Commissioners.

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

Powers and duties of the Lincoln County commissioners. The county commissioners of Lincoln County are empowered to operate a solid waste collection and disposal system in Lincoln County and to purchase real estate for this purpose.

Effective June 28, 1974

CHAPTER 170

AN ACT Making Appropriations for the Supplemental Security Income Program.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the United States Government through approval of Public Law 92-603 repealed the state administered program of Aid to the Aged, Blind and Disabled, and discontinued its federal funding; and effective January 1, 1974 initiated the Supplemental Security Income Program administered by the U.S. Social Security Administration, and funded a minimum level of benefits with federal money; and