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AS PASSED BY THE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Seventh Legislature

1975

CHAPTER 1

AN ACT to Clarify the Authorized Indebtedness of the Ellsworth School District.

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

Whereas, accommodations for the schools in the City of Ellsworth are not sufficient to accommodate the pupils now therein; and

Whereas, an addition to the present facilities is vitally necessary; and

Whereas, further delay in building an addition will be harmful to the wellbeing of the pupils and prevent necessary funding sufficient for an addition;

Whereas, if an addition is not constructed immediately it will be necessary to curtail certain educational programs for the coming school terms; and

Whereas, construction of an addition has commenced and funds are urgently needed to make payment therefor; 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 & SL 1949, c. 9, \S 4, first sentence, as amended by P & SL 1971, c. 103, is further amended to read:

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 trustees are 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 \$1,400,000 no indebtedness shall be incurred which causes the total indebtedness then outstanding to exceed \$1,400,000.

- Sec. 2. Ratification. All action previously taken by the district and its officers to incur debt or contractual responsibility or otherwise to commit the district with respect to any school building project is hereby ratified, validated and confirmed as if this Act had been in effect as of the time such action was taken.
- Sec. 3. Expenditure authorization. To the extent that school construction costs have been temporarily financed by the City of Ellsworth, the district may expend the proceeds of bonds or notes to repay said city the amount borrowed plus any interest thereon incurred and paid by said city. Such repayment of interest if any shall be considered as a part of the capital cost of the school building project so financed and shall be included in the amount eligible for state payment or reimbursement the same as any other capital cost relating to such project.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective February 6, 1975

CHAPTER 2

AN ACT to Authorize the Cumberland County Commissioners to Borrow in Anticipation of Taxes.

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

Whereas, the county government of Cumberland County will shortly run out of moneys to meet the county payroll and to maintain essential county services for Cumberland County; and

Whereas, a legal question has been raised as to whether the commissioners of Cumberland County may borrow in anticipation of taxes to meet the obligations of Cumberland County prior to legislative authorization of the county tax; 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:

Loan authorized. The county commissioners of Cumberland County may, without obtaining the consent of Cumberland County, raise by temporary loans made prior to July 1, 1975 an amount not to exceed \$500,000.