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

Sec. 1. Town of Osborn, incorporated. Osborn Plantation, with the inhabitants therein, is hereby incorporated into a town by the name of Osborn. The inhabitants of said town are hereby vested with the powers, privileges and immunities which the inhabitants of towns within the State do or may enjoy. The town hereby created shall take the effects belonging to Osborn Plantation and shall also assume all the obligations thereof.

Sec. 2. First meeting, how called. The board of assessors of the plantation shall issue their warrant, in accordance with the general laws, for an annual meeting to be held, at a time consistent with the normal annual meeting time in 1977. Notification of such meeting shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State for determining the effective date of sections 1 and 3.

Sec. 3. Legislative district. Until the next legislative apportionment of Representatives, the Town of Osborn shall remain in the same legislative district in which Osborn Plantation is now classed.

Sec. 4. Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State. This Act shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters within the territory embraced within the limits of said proposed Town of Osborn, voting by ballot at an election to be specially called and held for that purpose concurrent with the regular 1076 election in November. This meeting shall be called, advertised and conducted according to Title 30, sections 2061 to 2065. The plantation clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of sections 1 and 3 of this Act to the following question: "Shall 'An Act converting Osborn Plantation into the Town of Ôsborn,' passed by the 107th Legislature, be accepted?" The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. Upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting, sections 1 and 3 of this Act shall take effect for all purposes hereof at the annual meeting in 1977; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of sections I and 3 of this Act at said meeting equaled or exceeded 50% of the total number of votes cast in the plantation at the last gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the board of assessors of Osborn Plantation and due certificate shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State.

Effective July 29, 1976

CHAPTER 114

AN ACT to Appropriate Funds for Expenditures of the First Special Session of the 107th Legislature and to Provide for the Reduction and Transfer of Funds in Other Accounts.

PRIVATE AND SPECIAL, 1975

1975-76

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

Whereas, sufficient funds are not available in the Legislative Account to cover the expenses of the first special session; 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:

Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislature the sum of \$700,000 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

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| Personal Services All Other | \$500, 000 175,000 |
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| | \$675,000 |

Any balance of this appropriation shall not lapse but be carried forward from year to year to be expended for the same purposes.

| | | | | 1975-76 |
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| TREASURY | | | | (\$500,000) |
| Reduces inventory tax reimbursement to municipalities | | | | |
| FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION (\$175,000 | | | (\$175,000) | |
| Reduces Elderly Householders and Rent Refund | Tax | | | |
| ATTORNEY GENERAL | | 1975-76 | | 1976-77 |
| Personal Services All Other | (4) | (\$23,103.21) (1,987.00) | (4) | (\$55,447.68) (4,768.80) |
| HUMAN SERVICES | | | | |
| Personal Services All Other | (4) | 23,103.21 1,987.00 | (4) | 55,447.68 4,768.80 |

Provides matching funds for up to 4 additional staff or assistant attorneys general in the Department of Human Services, said attorneys, as well as those positions being transferred, to be appointed by and under the supervision of the Attorney General.

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

Effective February 13, 1976

CHAPTER 115

AN ACT Relating to the Holding of Property by the Home for Aged Women in Bangor.

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

Whereas, the Home for Aged Women and the Home for Aged Men in Bangor, both charitable nonstock corporations created by special Acts of the Legislature in 1872 and 1893, respectively, are in the process of merging into a new corporation called Phillips-Strickland House Corporation; and

Whereas, both corporations are presently in the process of constructing a 1.3 million dollar facility in Bangor which will be owned and operated by the new consolidated corporation after said merger is completed to provide new and expanded housing and care for aged persons; and

Whereas, the present charter of said Home for Aged Women contains a \$500,000 limitation on the amount of property it may hold, which limitation would be imposed upon the new corporation upon consummation of the merger if not otherwise removed; and

Whereas, the combined property holdings of both homes to be passed to Phillips - Strickland House Corporation by said merger will be in excess of said limitation; and

Whereas, it is essential that these changes be enacted as soon as possible to effectuate the pending merger and to allow Phillips-Strickland House Corporation to complete construction of the new facility and begin its opations; 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 1872, c. 115, § 2, as amended by P&SL 1909, c. 129, § 1, is further amended to read: