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LAWS  
OF THE  
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Seventh Legislature

AT THE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS  
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AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Seventh Legislature

**AT THE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

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**AND THE SECOND SPECIAL SESSION**

June 14, 1976

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Whereas, the Legislature authorized funding for adequate jail and district court facilities for the County of Hancock; and

Whereas, clarification of the law has become necessary because of unexpected difficulty in combining the structures as originally contemplated; 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 P & SL 1975, c. 76, § 1 is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Sec. 1. To raise money for county jail and District Court facility. The county commissioners of the County of Hancock are authorized to raise and expend a sum not exceeding \$600,000 for a county jail and a District Court facility to be located in Ellsworth in Hancock County which may be combined in one structure or may be separately purchased, constructed or reconstructed on different premises.

Sec. 2. P & SL 1975, c. 76, first sentence, 3rd paragraph from the end, is amended to read:

The county commissioners shall cause the preparation of the required ballots on which they shall state the subject matter of this Act in the following question: "Shall 'An Act to Authorize Hancock County to Raise \$600,000 for Construction of a Detention Center and a District Court Facility,' passed by the regular session of the 107th Legislature and amended by the special session of the 107th Legislature, be accepted?"

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

Effective February 20, 1976

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## CHAPTER 118

### AN ACT to Clarify Provisions Relating to the Town of York School District.

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

Whereas, it is desirable that the York School District dispose of any of its real property not needed for new school construction as soon as possible; and

Whereas, it is desirable to present this legislation to the voters of the Town of York for approval at its annual town meeting in March, 1976; 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 1951, c. 57, § 1, is amended to read:

Sec. 1. **Town of York School District, incorporated.** Subject to the provisions of this Act, the inhabitants of and the territory within the Town of York shall constitute a body politic and corporate under the name of "Town of York School District" for the purpose of acquiring and disposing of property within the said town for school and related athletic and recreational purposes; for the purpose of erecting, enlarging, repairing, equipping and maintaining on said property a school building or school buildings and related athletic and recreational facilities; for the purpose of leasing or letting any property of said district to said town; for the purpose of receiving, accepting and holding gifts, grants or devises of property, real, personal or mixed, to be used for school and related athletic and recreational purposes; and all for the benefit of the inhabitants of said district.

No real property to the value of \$1,000 or more shall be disposed of by the trustees of the district until authorized by the legal voters of the Town of York, except that the trustees of the district may vote to return unused school property to the town provided the school district has assumed no indebtedness or lease obligation on account of said property. The trustees of the district are authorized to transfer or lease unused school property to nonprofit organizations for educational, cultural or recreational purposes. The trustees of the district are authorized to lease any unused school buildings for educational, cultural or recreational purposes.

Sec. 2. **Emergency clause; referendum; effective date.** 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 Town of York at any regular or special meeting called and held for the purpose not later than 6 months after the approval of this Act. In the event a special election is called for the purpose, it shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the selectmen in said Town of York shall not be required to prepare for posting nor the town clerk to post a new list of voters and for the purpose of registration of voters, said selectmen shall be in session the 3 secular days next preceding such special election. The town clerk shall prepare the required ballots on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this Act to the following question: "Shall 'An Act to Clarify Provisions Relating to the Town of York School District' as passed by the First Special Session of the 107th Legislature be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross or a check mark placed over 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 election. The result of said vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the Town of York and due certificate filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.