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CHAPTER 119

AN ACT Converting Wallagrass Plantation into the Town of Wallagrass and Converting New Canada Plantation into the Town of New Canada.

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

Whereas, it is of concern that the people of the State of Maine be allowed to govern themselves on a local level; and

Whereas, it is the purpose of this legislation to allow the inhabitants of the plantations concerned to join in the governing of their own affairs; and

Whereas, it is extremely desirable that the referenda for ratification be permitted as soon as possible; 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. Town of Wallagrass, incorporated. Wallagrass Plantation, with the inhabitants therein, is hereby incorporated into a town by the name of Wallagrass. 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 Wallagrass 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 1976. 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 Wallagrass shall remain in the same legislative district in which Wallagrass Plantation is now classed.
- Sec. 4. Emergency clause; effective date; referendum; certificate to Secretary of State. 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 within the territory embraced within the limits of said proposed Town of Wallagrass, voting by ballot at an election to be specially called and held for the purpose on a date consistent with the normal annual meeting in 1976. 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 Wallagrass Plantation into the Town of Wallagrass,' passed by the First Special Session of 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 I and 3 of this Act shall take effect for all purposes hereof at the annual meeting in 1976; 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 the Plantation of Wallagrass and due certificate shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State.

- Sec. 5. Town of New Canada, incorporated. New Canada Plantation, with the inhabitants therein, is hereby incorporated into a town by the name of New Canada. 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 New Canada Plantation and shall also assume all the obligations thereof.
- Sec. 6. 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 1976. Notification of such meeting shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State for determining the effective date of sections 5 and 7.
- Sec. 7. Legislative district. Until the next legislative apportionment of Representatives, the Town of New Canada shall remain in the same legislative district in which New Canada Plantation is now classed.
- Sec. 8. Emergency clause; effective date; referendum; certificate to Secretary of State. 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 within the territory embraced within the limits of said proposed Town of New Canada, voting by ballot at an election to be specially called and held for the purpose on a date consistent with the normal annual meeting in 1976. 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 5 and 7 of this Act to the following question:

"Shall 'An Act Converting New Canada Plantation into the Town of New Canada,' passed by the First Special Session of 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 5 and 7 of this Act shall take effect for all purposes hereof at the annual meeting in 1976; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of sections 5 and 7 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 the Plantation of New Canada and due certificate shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State.

Effective February 27, 1976

CHAPTER 120

AN ACT Amending the Charter of the 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, improvements to area health care facilities are vitally necessary to the people of Caribou; and

Whereas, there is currently an application of the Caribou Hospital District before the Maine Municipal Bond Bank to provide funding to help finance these improvements; and

Whereas, legal counsel for the Caribou Hospital District has recommended certain changes to the charter of the Caribou Hospital District which would remove obstacles to Bond Bank approval of the district's application; and

Whereas, this legislation implements those recommendations and thus is immediately necessary to aid improved health care facilities in Caribou; 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 1953, c. 12, § 4, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 788, § A, is amended to read:
- Sec. 4. How financed. To procure funds for the purposes of Section A 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 \$8,000,000. Each bond and note shall have inscribed upon its face the words "Caribou Hospital District," shall bear interest at such rate or rates as the trustees shall determine, payable at maturity, annually or semiannually, and shall be subject to such