### MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# LAWS OF THE STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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# PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

## STATE OF MAINE

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#### CHAPTER 1

AN ACT to Appropriate Funds to the Legislative Apportionment Commission.

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

Whereas, the Legislative Apportionment Commission established under the Maine Constitution, Article IV, Part 3, Section 1-A, is required to begin carrying out its apportionment duties within the current legislative biennium; and

Whereas, the Constitution provides that certain members and activities of this commission shall be compensated or reimbursed; and

Whereas, this commission will begin its work during the month of January, 1977; and

Whereas, in order to carry out this constitutional mandate and fund this commission, funds must be immediately appropriated to the commission; 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 Legislative Apportionment Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1977, the sum of \$15,000 to be expended to fund the commission's activities as established by the Constitution, Article IV, Part 3, Section 1-A. The breakdown shall be as follows:

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Personal Services All Other \$ 4,500 10,500

\$15,000

Any expenditures from this account shall be approved for payment by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate.

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

Effective January 28, 1977

#### CHAPTER 2

AN ACT to Amend the Charter of the Baileyville Utilities District.

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

Whereas, the Baileyville Utilities District is engaged in purchasing the water assets of Woodland Water and Electric Company, which latter company is under proceedings for arrangement in the Federal Bankruptcy Court; and

Whereas, it is essential that the transfer be accomplished as soon as possible to insure the continued availability of a public water supply for the health and well-being of the inhabitants of the Town of Baileyville; and

Whereas, it is essential that the following amendment be made to the charter of the district in order not to delay the transfer and the financing thereof; 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,