

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS  
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and improvements to the same, the said district, through its trustees, may from time to time issue bonds of the district to an amount not exceeding ~~\$1,500,000~~ \$2,500,000.

Sec. 2. P&SL 1955, c. 162, § 13-A is enacted to read:

Sec. 13-A. Powers. The district shall be deemed a municipality with a population of 1,000 or more for all purposes of the Revised Statutes, Title 30, chapters 235 and 237, shall conform to all the requirements of these chapters related to sewer districts and shall have all the powers related to sewer districts granted municipalities under those chapters.

Effective October 24, 1977

## CHAPTER 52

**AN ACT to Authorize the County Commissioners of Hancock County to Transfer Certain Accounts to Certain Active Unorganized Townships.**

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

**Hancock County commissioners; transfer of funds authorized.** The board of commissioners for the County of Hancock are hereby authorized to transfer \$21,347.59 from the funds allocated for the maintenance of county roads in Township #10, \$8,383.81 from funds allocated for the maintenance of county roads in Township #28 and \$9,110.86 from funds allocated for the maintenance of county roads in Township #32 and to distribute these funds equally among the active unorganized townships within that county for the maintenance of county roads within those townships.

Effective October 24, 1977

## CHAPTER 53

**AN ACT to Amend the Charter for the Maine Institution for the Blind.**

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

Whereas, the corporate charter for the Maine Institution for the Blind, as amended by the private and special laws of 1923, chapter 96, requires that a majority of the directors of the Maine Institution for the Blind be appointed by the Governor; and

Whereas, the Maine Institution for the Blind receive funds from the State for the conduct of its programs for the assistance of visually impaired persons; and

Whereas, this circumstance creates the potential for a conflict of interest on the part of the directors of the Maine Institution for the Blind; 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:*

P & SL 1923, c. 96 is repealed.

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

Effective June 14, 1977

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## CHAPTER 54

**AN ACT to Authorize the Towns of Beals and Jonesport to Withdraw from the Moosabec Community School District and Form a New District.**

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

Whereas, section 360 of Title 20 of the Maine Revised Statutes provides for a participating town to withdraw from a community school district as authorized by a special Act of the Legislature upon such terms as shall be contained in such special Act; and

Whereas, the inhabitants of the Town of Beals have already indicated their desire to withdraw from the Moosabec Community School District by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote of the legal voters in said town present and voting at a special meeting, called and held in the manner provided for the calling and holding of town meetings, as required by section 360 of Title 20; and

Whereas, the fiscal year for any community school district organized after February 1, 1972, shall begin on July 1 and end on June 30, as required by section 363 of Title 20, and it is in the interest of both the Town of Beals and the Moosabec Community School District that the withdrawal of the Town of Beals from said district be effected so as to insure an orderly transition consistent with fiscal year requirements; 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,