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STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. After its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at that election, this Act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of the second regular session of the 108th Legislature; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor cast in that district at the last gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the Town of Kennebunk and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.

Effective July 6, 1978

CHAPTER 92

AN ACT to Extend until July 1, 1979, the Date for the Newport Water District to Purchase the Property of the Maine Water Company.

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

Whereas, the Newport Water District charter requires the water district to acquire the Maine Water Company by July 1, 1978; and

Whereas, the Newport Water District is still in negotiation with the Maine Water Company for acquisition of the company; and

Whereas, the negotiations are expected to continue beyond the July 1, 1978, deadline; 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 1975, c. 29, § 20, as amended by P&SL 1977, c. 27, is further amended to read:

Sec. 20. Certain sections inoperative on failure to acquire Maine Water Company plant. If said water district shall fail to acquire before July 1, 1978-1979,

by purchase or by right of eminent domain as in this Act provided, the plant, property, franchises, rights and privileges owned by the Maine Water Company and used or usable in supplying water to the Town of Newport, then this Act shall be inoperative, null and void.

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

Effective February 23, 1978

CHAPTER 93

AN ACT to Amend the Charter of the Gray Water District.

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

Whereas, various citizens of the Town of Gray, living in the area served by the Gray Water District, who are not currently served by it, are in need of public water due to contamination of their wells: and

Whereas, these services are vitally necessary to protect the health and welfare of those citizens; and

Whereas, certain ambiguities in the charter of the Gray Water District may preclude the use of general obligation securities to fund the extension; 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 1929, c. 33, § 11, is amended to read:

Sec. 11. Contracts for supplying water. Said water district is hereby authorized to make contracts with the town of Gray and with corporations and inhabitants of said town of Gray, or any village corporation therein for the purpose of supplying water as contemplated by this act, and the town of Gray by its selectmen or any village corporation therein by its proper officers is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with said district for a supply of water for public uses on such terms and for such time as the parties may agree, which contract when made shall be legal and binding on all parties thereto and said town