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The result of the vote shall be declared by the board of assessors of Mount Chase Plantation and due certificate shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State.

Sec. 5. Effective date. In view of the emergency set out in the preamble, Section 3 of this Act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters at the election. Sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall take effect for all purposes hereof at the first town meeting.

Approved by the Governor March 9, 1979

CHAPTER 7

H. P. 266 — L. D. 343

AN ACT Relating to the Small Grants Program for Municipal Conservation Commissions.

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

P&SL 1973, c. 223, § 1, first sentence, is amended to read:

Each municipal conservation commission shall be restricted to **only one grant only during the program in any one fiscal year.**

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 8

H. P. 108 — L. D. 137

AN ACT to Increase the Limit on Bonded Indebtedness of the Eastport Port Authority From \$500,000 to \$6,000,000.

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

Whereas, the present powers of bonded indebtedness granted to the Eastport Port Authority are insufficient; and

Whereas, Eastport is vitally in need of economic stimulus, and improvement of wharves, docks and warehouses is immediately necessary; and

Whereas, it is desirable for the residents of Eastport to vote on this matter at the earliest possible moment; 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 1977, c. 14, § 3, first sentence, is amended to read:

The authority is authorized to issue its bonds or notes not exceeding at any one time outstanding the principal sum of ~~\$500,000~~ **\$6,000,000**.

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 City of Eastport, voting at a regular or special election called and held for the purpose within 10 months after the approval of this Act. The election shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the registrar of voters of the city shall not be required to prepare for posting, nor the city clerk to post, a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters the registrar shall be in session the 3 secular days next preceding the election, the first 2 days thereof to be devoted to registration of voters and the last day to enable the registrar to verify the correction of the lists and to complete and close up his records of the sessions. The city clerk shall reduce the subject matter of this Act to the following question:

“Shall ‘AN ACT to Increase the Limit on Bonded Indebtedness of the Eastport Port Authority from \$500,000 to \$6,000,000’ 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 the election, this Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act at the meeting equaled or exceeded 20% of the total number of votes cast for Governor in the city at the last gubernatorial election. Another election may be held, if the total number of votes cast in the first election does not equal or exceed 20%.

This Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election. The result of the election shall be declared by the municipal officers of the City of Eastport and due certificate filed by the city clerk with the Secretary of State.