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CHAPTER 24

H. P. 1335 — L. D. 1582

AN ACT to Clarify the Powers of the Masonic Trustees of Portland as to their Authority to Sell Real Estate.

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

P&SL 1867, c. 324, § 10, as enacted by P&SL 1895, c. 250, is amended to read:

Sec. 10. Said trustees may purchase, hold and manage **and dispose of the same** real estate and erect buildings thereon for masonic and other purposes. To raise funds therefor, they may issue bonds, and secure them by mortgage if deemed expedient. And they shall have all the powers granted in the preceding sections for managing so much thereof as shall be devoted to masonic uses, and the power to manage the other parts thereof in such manner as they may deem for the interest of all concerned. **Sales of real estate heretofore made by the Masonic Trustees of Portland are ratified, confirmed and made valid in all respects.**

Effective September 14, 1979

CHAPTER 25

H. P. 1403 — L. D. 1616

AN ACT to Extend the Deadline for Legislative Determination of Municipal Cost Components.

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

Whereas, the Legislature on report of the Governor is required to determine the municipal cost component for each fiscal year and certify the amount to the State Tax Assessor prior to April 15th; and

Whereas, an extension of the statutory time is needed for the year 1979 to enable the Governor and the Legislature to accomplish this requirement; 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:

Municipal cost components; determination. Notwithstanding the provisions of Title 36, section 1604, subsection 2, or the Private and Special laws of 1979, chapter 16, for the year 1979, the Legislature shall consider the Governor's report and, not later than May 31st of that year, determine the municipal cost components for the current fiscal year and promptly certify the amount to the State Tax Assessor.

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

Effective May 22, 1979

CHAPTER 26

S. P. 404 — L. D. 1255

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

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1907, c. 433, § 18, 2nd ¶, as enacted by P&SL 1975, c. 84, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Trustees shall be elected for the term of 5 years at elections to be specially called and held in each municipality on the 4th Tuesday of May of each year. The cost of that election shall be paid for by the district. When there is a trustee to be elected by the voters of the City of Portland and that city is holding its own election of municipal officers in May, the election of the trustee to represent the City of Portland shall be held concurrently with the municipal election, and the city and the district shall equally share the cost of that municipal election. In the event any such election shall result in a tie vote, the other trustees shall select the person who shall become a trustee.

Sec. 2. P&SL 1907, c. 433, § 18, 6th ¶, last sentence, as enacted by P&SL 1977, c. 48, § 9, is amended to read:

The trustees shall ~~within 15 days~~ at the annual meeting after the election determine and declare the successful candidates of each area.

Effective September 14, 1979