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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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January 2, 1980 to April 3, 1980

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

Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	1979-80	1980-81
HEALTH FACILITIES COST REVIEW BOARD		
Positions	(1)	(1)
Personal Services	\$(10,000)	\$6,000
All Other	9,000	(6,500)
Capital Expenditures	1,000	500
Total	\$-0-	\$- 0-

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

Effective March 21, 1980

CHAPTER 86

H. P. 1820 — L. D. 1948

AN ACT Increasing the Indebtedness of Veazie Sewer District and Amending the Charter of Veazie Sewer District.

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

Whereas, the Veazie Sewer District will not be able to complete its arrangements for financing its sewage treatment facility under the limitation imposed by the present level of its authorized indebtedness; and

Whereas, certain provisions of the charter of Veazie Sewer District are inadequate for the district to properly carry out its functions; 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 P&SL, 1951, c. 114, § 1, 2nd sentence, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

The purpose of the district shall be to take over, control, manage and operate the sanitary sewers now owned by the Town of Veazie with all appurtenances thereto; to extend, increase, enlarge and improve the drains and sewers; to extend the present system or systems so as to furnish sewerage facilities to portions of the town not now served with such facilities; to provide for removal of sewage; to discharge sewage into the Penobscot River at points most reasonable and convenient for the district; to provide for treatment of sewage in whole or in part before discharging it into the river when, as and if such treatment becomes necessary; and generally to provide a system of sanitary sewerage drainage for public purposes and for the health, comfort and convenience of the inhabitants of the district; provided that nothing contained herein shall be construed so as to vest the district with any duty of providing surface or storm water drainage.

Sec. 2. P&SL, 1951, c. 114, § 2, 2nd sentence, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

For the purpose of providing a system of sewers and drainage for the comfort, convenience and health of the inhabitants of the district, the district is authorized and empowered to acquire and hold real estate and personal estate necessary and convenient for the purposes aforesaid, and to sell, transfer or otherwise convey the real and personal estate, subject to all duties and obligations of the Town of Veazie with respect thereto, which duties and obligations are to be assumed by the district.

Sec. 3. P&SL, 1951, c. 114, § 7, 3rd paragraph, first sentence, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

The trustees shall serve without compensation, except that the treasurer may receive for his services an amount to be fixed by the board of trustees.

Sec. 4. P&SL, 1951, c. 114, § 8, first sentence, as last amended by P&SL, 1971, c. 31. is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

To procure funds for the purposes of this Act, and for such other expenses as may be necessary to carry out those purposes, the district, by its trustees, is authorized from time to time to borrow money and to issue its bonds and notes therefor, but shall not incur a total indebtedness exceeding the sum of \$500,000 at any one time outstanding.

Sec. 5. P&SL, 1951, c. 114, § 13, first sentence, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

The registrar of voters shall prepare and submit to the trustees a correct list of

persons qualified to vote in the district and for that purpose may use the list as compiled by the registrar of voters of the legal voters in the Town of Veazie. The registrar of voters shall be in session for this purpose between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on the day prior to and the day of any election of the sewer district; and notice thereof shall be given in the call for the election.

Sec. 6. Emergency clause; effective date; referendum. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, sections 1, 2, 3, and 5 of this Act shall take effect when approved. Section 4 of this Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the district at the special election and elections called and held for the purpose.

The board of selectmen of the Town of Veazie shall call the election, to be held upon a date to be specified in writing by them. The registrar of voters shall make and provide a list of the legal voters within the district. Such election shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections. The registrar of voters shall be in session the 2 secular days next preceding such election for the purpose of registration of voters and to enable the registrar of voters to varify the corrections of the list and to complete and close up the records of the sessions. The town clerks shall reduce the subject matter of section 4 of this Act to the following question: "Shall the Indebtedness of the Veazie Sewer District be increased and shall the charter of the Veazie Sewer District be amended?"

The voters shall indicate by depositing a ballot in the ballot box with the word "Yes" or "No" on the same, their opinion of the same. Section 4 of this Act shall take effect immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of section 4 of this Act equals or exceeds 15% of the number of voters on the list. The result shall be declared in open meeting and due certificate thereof filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State. Fifteen percent of the qualified voters of the district shall constitute a quorum for the purposes of this election, but a less number may adjourn from time to time not exceeding 7 days at one time.

Effective March 25, 1980, Unless otherwise indicated

CHAPTER 87

H. P. 1607 — L. D. 1718

AN ACT Concerning Membership on the Board of Trustees of the Van Buren Light and Power District.

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