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OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

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approval of the Governor by transfer from one project to another, but in no instance shall a project be reduced by more than 10% of the amount listed.

**Sec. 7. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue.** Sections 1 to 6 shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

**Statutory referendum procedure; submission at special statewide election; effective date.** This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at a special statewide election to be held on June 10, 1980. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

Shall a bond issue be ratified in the amount of \$8,000,000 for improvements to vocational-technical institutes and the Maine Maritime Academy?

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question, and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word "Yes" or "No." The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal votes are in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act shall become effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purposes of this referendum.

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

Effective pending referendum

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## CHAPTER 107

H. P. 1916 — L. D. 1985

### AN ACT to Authorize a Bond Issue in the Amount of \$4,000,000 for Court Facilities Improvements.

**Preamble.** Two-thirds of both Houses of Legislature deeming it necessary in accordance with the Constitution, Article IX, Section 14, to authorize the issuance

of bonds on behalf of the State of Maine to provide the capital improvements, construction, renovations, equipment and furnishings for the various state departments.

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

**Sec. 1. Issue of bonds to provide for capital improvements, construction, renovations, equipment and furnishings for state departments.** The Treasurer of State is authorized, under the direction of the Governor, to issue from time to time serial coupon bonds in the name and behalf of the State to an amount not exceeding \$4,000,000 to be issued after July 1, 1981; for the purpose of raising funds to provide for such capital improvements, construction, renovations, equipment and furnishings as authorized by section 6. The bonds shall be deemed a pledge of the faith and credit of the State. The bonds shall not run for a longer period than 20 years from the date of the original issue thereof. Any issuance of bonds may contain a call feature at the discretion of the Treasurer of State with the approval of the Governor.

**Sec. 2. Records of bonds issued to be kept by the State Auditor and Treasurer of State.** The State Auditor shall keep an account of the bonds, showing the number and amount of each, the date when payable and the date of delivery thereof to the Treasurer of State, who shall keep an account of each bond, showing the number thereof, the name of the successful bidder to whom sold, the amount received for the same, the date of sale and the date when payable.

**Sec. 3. Sale, how negotiated; proceeds appropriated.** The Treasurer of State may negotiate the sale of the bonds by direction of the Governor; but no such bond shall be loaned, pledged, or hypothecated in behalf of the State. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds, which shall be held by the Treasurer of State and paid by him upon warrants drawn by the Governor, are appropriated to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this Act. Any unencumbered balances remaining at the completion of the projects in section 6 shall lapse to the debt service account established for the retirement of these bonds.

**Sec. 4. Interest and debt retirement.** Interest due or accruing upon any bonds issued under the provisions of this Act and all sums coming due for payment of bonds at maturity shall be paid by the Treasurer of State.

**Sec. 5. Disbursement of bonds' proceeds.** The proceeds of the bonds shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the Director of Public Improvements.

**Sec. 6. Allocations from General Fund bond issue.**

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Court construction	\$2,000,000
Court renovation	2,000,000
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Total	\$4,000,000

The amount listed after each project is to be construed as a guide and, within the Judicial Department, any one or more amounts may be exceeded with the approval of the Governor by transfer from one project to another.

**Sec. 7. Contingent upon ratification of bond issue.** Sections 1 to 6 of this Act shall not become effective unless and until the people of the State of Maine shall have ratified the issuance of bonds as set forth in this Act.

**Sec. 8. Statutory referendum procedure; submission at general election; form of question; effective date.** This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at the next general election in the month of November following passage of this Act. The city aldermen, town selectmen and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

“Shall a bond issue be authorized in the amount of \$4,000,000 for court facilities improvements?”

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question, and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the words “Yes” or “No.” The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns, and, if it appears that a majority of the legal votes are in favor of the Act, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay, and the Act shall become effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purposes of this referendum.