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STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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J.S. McCarthy Co. Augusta, Maine 1981

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CHAPTER 541

H.P. 1931 - L.D. 1914

AN ACT to Clarify the Application of the Maine Water District Act to Existing Water Districts.

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

Whereas, Maine water utilities provide an important service to the people of Maine; and

Whereas, there is ambiguity regarding the extent to which the Maine Water District Act of 1981 applies to water districts in existence prior to January 1, 1982; and

Whereas, this ambiguity has caused problems for water districts engaged in borrowing money; 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:

35 MRSA §3226, 2nd sentence, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 447, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

This chapter does not apply to water districts formed before January 1, 1982, except that section 3223, subsections 4 and 5, shall apply to those districts. Any portion of the charter of those districts which is contrary to those subsections is repealed.

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

Effective February 10, 1982