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CHAPTER 31

H. P. 964 — L. D. 1155

AN ACT to Increase the Limit of Indebtedness of the Newport Water District from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000.

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

P&SL 1975, c. 29, § 14, first ¶ is amended to read:

For accomplishing the purposes of this Act, said water district, through its trustees, without vote of the inhabitants; is authorized to borrow money temporarily and to issue therefor the negotiable notes of the district, for the purpose of refunding the indebtedness so created, for paying any necessary expenses and liabilities incurred under the provisions of this Act, including the expenses incurred in the creation of a district, in acquiring the properties and franchises of said Maine Water Company by purchase or otherwise, of assuming and paying all mortgages, liens and encumbrances thereon as provided in sections 10 and 11, of securing sources of supply, taking water and land, paying damages, laying pipes, constructing, maintaining and operating a water plant and making renewals, extensions, additions and improvements to the same, and protecting the watershed, to an amount or amounts necessary in the judgment of the trustees therefor, provided the total indebtedness shall not exceed the sum of ~~\$1,000,000~~ \$1,500,000 at any one time outstanding.

Effective September 18, 1981

CHAPTER 32

S. P. 366 — L. D. 1085

AN ACT to Permit the City of Bangor to Increase the Number of Members on the Bangor School Committee.

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

Whereas, the Bangor School Committee addresses the budget of the 3rd largest school system in the State; and

Whereas, an increase in the size of the Bangor School Committee membership should help in the handling of the school committee's workload; and

Whereas, the City of Bangor wishes to hold a referendum on the proposed increase in the school committee's membership as expeditiously as possible; 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. Authorization. The City of Bangor, hereinafter called "the City" is authorized to amend its charter to increase the number of members on the Bangor School Committee, subject to the terms and conditions set forth.

Sec. 2. Proposed change. The language to be voted on, and included in the charter, if accepted by a majority, shall be the following, which will repeal and replace section 2 of Article II-A of the charter:

Sec. 2. Composition, election, tenure of office. The Superintending School Committee shall consist of 7 members to be elected, at large, by popular vote of the qualified voters of the City of Bangor. Those members of the committee holding office at the time this amendment takes effect shall serve until their terms expire and their successors are duly elected and qualified. The remaining 2 positions shall be filled at a special election to be held not more than 90 days after the effective date of this amendment. The candidate accruing the largest total of votes at that municipal election shall be elected to serve until the first Monday in November, 1984, and the candidate receiving the next to the largest total number of votes shall be elected to serve until the first Monday in November, 1983. Thereafter, at each regular municipal election the qualified voters of the City shall ballot for candidates for office on the committee whose terms expire that year. All members of the Superintending School Committee shall serve for terms of 3 years and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

Sec. 3. Referendum. This Act shall not take effect unless approved by the legal voters of the City of Bangor at the next regular City election or at a special election to be called and held for such purposes within 3 months after adoption of this Act by the Legislature. The City clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which the following question shall be stated:

"Shall the Charter be amended to increase the size of the Bangor School Committee from 5 to 7 members, as authorized by the Legislature?"

The result of such election shall be declared by the municipal officers of the City of Bangor and a due certificate thereof shall be filed by the City clerk with the Secretary of State.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect immediately upon acceptance by a majority vote of the legal voters voting at the election described in section 3.

Effective pending referendum