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STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED BY THE

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authorize its president or treasurer to execute deeds of exchange or other documents necessary to consummate the exchange.

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

Effective May 11, 1981

CHAPTER 35

H. P. 1362 — L. D. 1547

AN ACT to Make Allocations from the Regulatory Fund, Public Utilities Commission, for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1982 and June 30, 1983.

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

Whereas, the 90-day period will not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of the department will become due and payable on or immediately after July 1, 1981; 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:

Allocation of Regulatory Fund; Public Utilities Commission. Income to the Regulatory Fund, Public Utilities Commission for the next 2 fiscal years, from July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982 and from July 1, 1982 to June 30, 1983, shall be segregated, apportioned and disbursed as designated in the following schedule:

| | 1981-82 | 1982-83 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT | | |
| PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION | | |
| Regulatory Fund | | |
| Positions | (4) | (4) |
| Personal Services | \$ 85,791 | \$ 86,641 |
| All Other | 63,840 | 62,990 |
| Total | \$149,631 | \$149,631 |

This allocates the Regulatory Fund, Public Utilities Commission, which is required by the Public Laws of 1979, chapter 427.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect July 1, 1981.

Effective July 1, 1981

CHAPTER 36

H. P. 487 — L. D. 539

AN ACT to Permit Knox County to Withdraw from the Maine State Retirement System.

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

Whereas, the employees of Knox County are currently participating in the Maine State Retirement System in addition to participating in the Social Security System; and

Whereas, the benefit plans of these 2 systems are, to a certain extent, duplicative; and

Whereas, it is needlessly expensive for the employees and the employers to continue to fund both retirement plans; and

Whereas, this burdensome expense and duplicative benefit coverage should be reduced as soon 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. Withdrawal from Maine State Retirement System authorized; procedure. The county commissioners of Knox County hereinafter called "the district" presently a participating local district in the Maine State Retirement System, hereinafter called "the system" are authorized to withdraw from further participation in the system upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

The withdrawal shall be accomplished by a majority vote of the county