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\$9,500,000 for renovation and expansion of the county jail facility located in Augusta.

- Sec. 2. Aid from other sources. The county commissioners of the County of Kennebec are authorized to borrow any portion of the sums herein authorized from or through any agency or department of the State of Maine and of the Federal Government. The county commissioners are authorized to receive grants of money and other assistance from or through any agency or department of the State of Maine and of the Federal Government for any of the purposes authorized in this Act.
- Sec. 3. Bonds. To provide funds for the county jail facility, the treasurer of Kennebec County, with the approval of the county commissioners, may borrow from time to time upon the full faith and credit of the county such sums, not exceeding in the aggregate \$9,500,000, as may be necessary and may issue bonds therefor which shall bear on their face the words "Kennebec County Capital Improvement Bonds Act of 1987." Each authorized issue shall be payable in such annual installments, beginning not more than 2 years from the date thereof and not earlier than the year 1989, as will extinguish each loan in not more than 20 years from its date. The bonds shall be signed by the treasurer of the county and countersigned by the majority of the county commissioners. The county may sell the securities at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as the county commissioners may deem proper, but at not less than par and accrued interest.
- Sec. 4. Temporary notes. The county treasurer, with the approval of the county commissioners, may issue temporary notes of the county, payable in not more than one year from their dates, in anticipation of the issue of bonds under this Act and may renew the same, but the time within which such bonds shall become due and payable shall not, by reason of such temporary notes, be extended beyond the term fixed by this Act. Any notes issued in anticipation of the bonds shall be paid from the proceeds of the bonds.
- Sec. 5. Bonds authorized but not issued. Any bonds authorized but not issued, or for which bond anticipation notes have not been issued within 5 years of the ratification of this Act, shall be deauthorized and may not be issued, provided that the Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation notes for an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 years.
- Sec. 6. Funds not expended. If any proceeds from the sale of the bonds have not been expended within 10 years after the date of sale, those proceeds shall lapse to the county's debt service account.
- Sec. 7. Referendum for ratification. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters of Kennebec County at a statewide election in the month of November, but not later than 18 months after adjournment of the Legisla-

ture. The Kennebec County commissioners are authorized to expend such funds as are necessary to implement the referendum.

The county commissioners shall cause the preparation of the required ballots on which they shall state the subject matter of this Act in the following question:

"Shall the issuance of bonds be authorized in an amount not to exceed \$9,500,000 for construction and improvement of jail facilities for Kennebec County?"

The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same.

Except as otherwise provided in this section there shall be only one referendum under the authorization of this bill. If authorization of the issue is rejected by the voters, the question shall not be submitted again under the provision of this Act.

The ballot shall also contain the following information to be determined by the county commissioners, to be accurate as of the date when it is necessary to begin preparation of the ballot question.

- 1. A statement as to the total debt service of the requested issue divided into prinicipal and interest and indicating the interest rate and period of the bond.
- 2. A statement as to the current bonded indebtedness prior to the requested bond issue.

This Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election; provided the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act equals or exceeds 30% of the total votes for all candidates for Governor cast in the next previous gubernatorial election in the county. If at any such first election, the total number of votes cast for or against acceptance of this Act is less than 30% of the total votes for all candidates for Governor cast in the county in the next previous gubernatorial election, the county commissioners may submit the question to voters not more than one other time within the time prescribed in this section.

The result of such elections shall be declared by the Kennebec County commissioners and due certificate filed with the Secretary of State.

Effective pending referendum.

CHAPTER 57

H.P. 897 — L.D. 1198

AN ACT to Implement Project ASPIRE for High School Students in the State.

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

- Sec. 1. Project ASPIRE; University of Maine System. There is established Project ASPIRE, to be administered by the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System, with technical assistance by the Department of Educational and Cultural Services, to raise the aspirations of high school students in the State and to encourage them to pursue post-secondary educational opportunities. Project ASPIRE is a cooperative program between the University of Maine System and school districts which choose to participate. Project ASPIRE allows high school seniors to take regular college courses in their own schools.
- Sec. 2. Objectives of Project ASPIRE. The project established by this Act shall be administered, as determined appropriate by the board of trustees, in accordance with section 3 and the following objectives.
- 1. Any program shall be implemented only with local school board support and approval and shall be flexible enough to allow tailoring by local school boards to meet the needs of their students.
- 2. To encourage full access, no fee or tuition may be charged to participating students.
- 3. Participation in the program shall not be unduly limited based on the residence of the students involved.
- 4. Courses shall be offered in important and relevant subjects, such as English; math; and science; and shall be college level courses for which credit at University of Maine System campuses may be earned.
- 5. Courses may be offered during the regular school day or, if determined appropriate by the board of trustees and the local school board, outside of the traditional school day or week.
- Sec. 3. Implementation and review. Project ASPIRE, created by this Act, shall be implemented by the board of trustees as a pilot project during school years 1987-88 and 1988-89. The program shall be established at a limited number of public school sites chosen from among those which apply for participation. These sites shall represent a balanced mix of geographical location, school size and current percentage of students going on to post-secondary study. The purpose of the pilot projects is to provide experience on which to base an assessment of the benefits, disadvantages, possible improvements and costs of these programs. In setting up, conducting and evaluating the pilot projects, the board shall give consideration to programs offered outside the traditional school day or week, offering courses through audio-visual and computer network hookups, the issue of recognition and transferability of credits by the university system and the possibility of participation in the university system program by nonhigh school students. The board of trustees shall conduct a preliminary review

of the operation of the pilot projects and report their findings to the Governor and the Joint Standing Committee on Education by April 1, 1988. A final report shall be issued by March 1, 1989.

Sec. 4. Funding. The cost of participating in the pilot projects to school administrative units, which choose to participate in 1987-88 and 1988-89, shall be funded through grants from funds appropriated for this purpose on the same matching basis as the division of state and local shares in the unit's state and local allocation in the previous year. For projects which are continued after 1988-89, the cost of participation to the school administrative unit may be added to the school unit's subsidized cost under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, chapter 606.

Effective September 29, 1987.

CHAPTER 58

S.P. 162 — L.D. 466

AN ACT to Extend the Life of the Advisory Committee on Staff Retention.

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

Reporting date; duties. Notwithstanding Public Law 1985, chapter 749, section 2, the Advisory Committee on Staff Retention, as established, by Public Law 1985, chapter 749, shall continue through 1987 and submit its report, together with any recommendations and legislation in final draft form to the Second Regular Session of the 113th Legislature. In addition to the duties established under Public Law 1985, chapter 749, the committee may expand its scope of review to include other facilities with similar problems.

Effective September 29, 1987.

CHAPTER 59

H.P. 261 — L.D. 344

AN ACT in Support of Statewide Music Lending Services.

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

Bagaduce Music Lending Library. The Bagaduce Music Lending Library in Blue Hill shall freely loan and, without charge, make available to all Maine citizens its collection of vocal and instrumental music.

The loaning of materials shall also be available, free of charge, for interlibrary loans to all public and academic