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

Effective March 23, 1989,

CHAPTER 11

H.P. 100 - L.D. 135

An Act to Expand the Eligibility for Participation in the Maine Conservation Corps to Include More Lowincome Maine People

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

Whereas, the Maine Conservation Corps, as established by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 5151, performs the majority of its work during the summer months; and

Whereas, the Maine Job Training offices recruit Maine Conservation Corps members from April until June; and

Whereas, unless this legislation is enacted as an emergency measure, it will not take effect in time to benefit the 1989 Maine Conservation Corps summer program; and

Whereas, this will result in cancelled and understaffed conservation projects, reduced efficiency and reduced service to the State's low-income families and conservation agencies; 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:

12 MRSA §5152, as amended by PL 1985, c. 709, §2, is further amended to read:

§5152. Participants

Participants in the Maine Conservation Corps shall be economically disadvantaged. Individuals shall be eligible to participate if their family income is 150% or less of the nonfarm income official poverty line as defined by the Federal Office of Management and Budget and revised annually in accordance with the United States Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981, Section 673, Subsection 2. Priority shall be given to those who are economically disadvantaged as defined by the United States Job Training Partnership Act, subchapter II, Public Law 97-300. No one person may be eligible if he that person has left employment or school for the purpose of participating in this program. Corps members may be jointly enrolled in any state or local job training program or human resource development program.

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

Effective March 23, 1989.

CHAPTER 12

H.P. 671 - L.D. 919

An Act Concerning the Authority of Municipal Officers to Refinance Certain Debts

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

Whereas, this legislation is immediately necessary to enable the municipal officers of towns and plantations to continue to be able to refinance certain debts without the necessity of a town meeting; and

Whereas, if this legislation is not enacted immediately, towns will have to incur the additional expense and undergo the unnecessary inconvenience of calling special town meetings to authorize these actions; 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:

30-A MRSA §5705 is enacted to read:

§5705. Refinancing of the United States Farmers Home Administration loans

For the period beginning January 1, 1989, and ending December 31, 1989, the municipal officers of any municipality or plantation may refinance any debt owed to the United States Farmers Home Administration without the approval of the municipality's or plantation's legislative body as long as the refinancing will result in a net savings to the municipality or plantation.

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

Effective March 24, 1989.