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CHAPTER 95

H.P. 1693 - L.D. 2373

An Act Regarding a Piscataqua River Basin Council

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

Sec. 1. Council established. The Piscataqua River Basin Council, referred to in this Act as "the council," is established. The council is charged with working with a similar council established by the State of New Hampshire. The council shall address river traffic, pollution, wetlands preservation, waterfront development and other issues that affect water resources within the Piscataqua River basin and its surrounding tributaries. The council may address problems of common concern and interests to the river and bay communities with the goal of giving advice and making recommendations to the Legislature.

Sec. 2. Members. The council is composed of the following:

1. Three members of the House of Representatives, who must be from the affected regions, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

2. Two members of the Senate, who must be from the affected regions, appointed by the President of the Senate;

3. One person who represents the commercial fishing industry, appointed by the Governor;

4. One person who represents the seacoast business community, appointed by the Governor; and

5. Four elected officials from the Maine seacoast area who represent the towns of Elliot, Kittery, South Berwick and York, appointed by municipal officers of those towns.

Sec. 3. Duties. The council shall review the conditions of the Piscataqua River and develop recommendations for actions to improve the future of this river and of the residents of the affected area. The members of the council shall also hold at least one public hearing in a municipality on the Piscataqua River in this State to gather the concerns and recommendations of the citizens of this State on the present and future conditions of the Piscataqua River and its surrounding tributaries.

Sec. 4. Meetings; compensation. The members of the council shall choose a chair from among the council members. The members of the council serve without compensation except that legislative members are entitled to receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the council. The first member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall call the first meeting within 30 days of the effective date of this Act.

Sec. 5. Contingency. This Act takes effect if similar legislation is enacted in New Hampshire.

Sec. 6. Effective date. This Act takes effect on the effective date of similar legislation enacted in New Hampshire.

Effective pending contingency.

CHAPTER 96

S.P. 942 - L.D. 2405

An Act Authorizing the Town of Rockport to Refinance Certain Temporary Bond Anticipation Notes Issued for Its Wastewater Project

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

Whereas, the Town of Rockport has authorized the issuance of general obligation securities for the purpose of financing certain capital improvements to the town's wastewater system and has issued its temporary general obligation bond anticipation notes in the principal amount of \$1,300,000 to finance the project, the debt being originally issued in August 1989; and

Whereas, long-term financing for the project is expected to be provided by the issuance of general obligation bonds to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank or another lending institution; and

Whereas, engineering problems associated with the project have caused the design and construction of the project to extend beyond the time originally contemplated and delayed the issuance of the long-term bonds of the Town of Rockport; and

Whereas, the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 5772 states that the period of anticipatory borrowing by a municipality may not exceed 3 years; and

Whereas, it may be necessary for the Town of Rockport to extend the period of its anticipatory borrowing for an additional year; 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: