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STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE
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CHAPTER 57

H.P. 1340 - L.D. 1807

**An Act to Provide Supplemental
Appropriations in Fiscal Year
1993-94 for the Maine Residents
Property Tax Program**

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 may not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, a significant funding shortfall exists in the Maine Residents Property Tax Program; and

Whereas, it is important to satisfy all remaining qualified fiscal year 1993-94 applicants 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. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1993-94

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND
FINANCIAL SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

**Maine Residents Property Tax
Program**

All Other	\$2,900,000
Provides funds to meet the anticipated shortfall in the	

Maine Residents Property Tax Program due to a higher than anticipated number of qualified applicants.

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

Effective February 4, 1994.

CHAPTER 58

H.P. 1198 - L.D. 1606

**An Act to Amend the Charter of the
Portland Water District**

Mandate preamble. This measure requires one or more local units of government to expand or modify activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21, two thirds of all of the members elected to each House have determined it necessary to enact this measure.

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

Whereas, the Portland Water District is a public quasi-municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State; and

Whereas, questions have arisen regarding the timing of elections of trustees of the district, the method of determining the district's share of election costs and the eligibility criteria for trustees; and

Whereas, if the charter of the Portland Water District is not changed prior to May 1994, these questions will remain unanswered at the time of the district's elections in May or June; 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 preserva-