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CHAPTER 62

H.P. 1418 - L.D. 1982

An Act to Name a Highway in Burnham in Honor of Medal of Honor Recipient Corporal Clair Goodblood

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

Sec. 1. Naming the section of Route 100 in Burnham. The section of Route 100 that passes through the Town of Burnham is named the Corporal Clair Goodblood Memorial Highway in memory of Medal of Honor recipient Corporal Clair Goodblood, who was killed in action April 25, 1951 in Korea. The Department of Transportation shall place signs on this highway that appropriately mark its location.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 63

H.P. 1426 - L.D. 1990

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Bingham 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.

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1911, c. 13, §1, as repealed and replaced by P&SL 1985, c. 43, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Section 1. Territorial limits of water district. The following described territory and the people within the territory, namely, so much of the Town of Bingham and the Township of Concord in the County of Somerset: Beginning at a point on the Kennebec River at the northerly line of the Town of Bingham and extending easterly along the northerly line of the Town of Bingham to the east line of the "River Tier" of lots in the Town of Bingham, a distance of approximately 9,250 feet; thence southerly along the easterly line of the "River Tier" of lots to the southeast corner of Lot 8, Range 1, in the Town of Bingham, as depicted on the "Colby Atlas"; thence westerly along

the southerly line of Lot 8, Range 1, to the Kennebec River; thence continuing westerly across the Kennebec River and land in Concord Township to the westerly line of the right-of-way of Route #16; thence northerly along the westerly line of the right-of-way of Route #16 to the junction of Route #16 and the Jackson Pond Road; thence westerly along the Jackson Pond Road to the easterly line of Central Maine Power Company right-of-way #63, a distance of approximately 2,200 feet; thence northerly along the right-of-way to the base of Old Bluff Mountain a distance of approximately 8,500 feet; thence easterly and northerly around the base of Old Bluff Mountain to the Route #16 bridge across the Kennebec River, a distance of approximately 1,500 feet; thence easterly across the Kennebec River to the east shore of the river; thence northerly along the easterly shore to the point of beginning, a distance of approximately 5,500 feet, constitutes a body corporate and politic under the name of the Bingham Water District for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of the district with pure water for domestic, sanitary, manufacturing and municipal purposes. The district may extend its pipelines into so much of the Town of Bingham and Concord Township as lies outside the territorial limits of the district, and into the Town of Moscow for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of the Town of Moscow with pure water for domestic, sanitary, manufacturing and municipal purposes as may desire to be served and as the district may desire to serve.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 64

H.P. 1421 - L.D. 1985

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Bath Water District

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

Whereas, the current annual \$500 stipend for the members of the Board of Trustees of the Bath Water District was established in 1975; and

Whereas, during the past 27 years, the duties of members of the Board of Trustees of the Bath Water District have become increasingly more demanding; and

Whereas, this legislation removes any confusion created by residual language in the charter of the Bath Water District that appears to limit trustee compensation, but which is void pursuant to existing public law; 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. P&SL 1915, c. 197, §7, last ¶, as repealed and replaced by P&SL 1975, c. 82, §1, is repealed.

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

Effective March 5, 1998.

CHAPTER 65

H.P. 1471 - L.D. 2062

An Act to Provide for the 1998 and 1999 Allocations of the State Ceiling on Private Activity Bonds

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

Whereas, the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10, section 363 and Private and Special Law 1997, chapter 33 make a partial allocation of the state ceiling on private activity bonds to some issuers for calendar year 1998, but leave a portion of the state ceiling unallocated and do not provide sufficient allocations for certain types of private activity bonds that may require an allocation before the effective date of this Act if not enacted on an emergency basis; and

Whereas, if these bond issues must be delayed due to lack of available allocation of state ceiling, the rates and terms under which these bonds may be issued may be adversely affected, resulting in increased costs to beneficiaries or even unavailability of financing for certain projects; 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. Allocation to the Treasurer of State. No portion of the state ceiling for calendar year 1998 was previously allocated to the Treasurer of State. Thirty-five million dollars of the state ceiling previously unallocated is now allocated to the Treasurer of State to be used or reallocated in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10, section 363, subsection 5. No portion of the state ceiling for calendar year 1999 is allocated to the Treasurer of State.
- Sec. 2. Allocation to the Finance Authority of Maine. The \$25,000,000 of the state ceiling for calendar year 1998 previously allocated to the Finance Authority of Maine remains allocated to the Finance Authority of Maine to be used or reallocated in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10, section 363, subsection 6 for calendar year 1998. Twenty-five million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 1999 is allocated to the Finance Authority of Maine to be used or reallocated in accordance with Title 10, section 363, subsection 6.
- Sec. 3. Allocation to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank. The \$10,000,000 of the state ceiling for calendar year 1998 previously allocated to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank remains allocated to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank to be used or reallocated in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10, section 363, subsection 7 for calendar year 1998. Ten million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 1999 is allocated to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank to be used or reallocated in accordance with Title 10, section 363, subsection 7.
- Sec. 4. Allocation to the Maine Educational Loan Authority. The \$20,000,000 of the state ceiling for calendar year 1998 previously allocated to the Maine Educational Loan Authority is allocated to the Maine Educational Loan Authority to be used or reallocated in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10, section 363, subsection 8 for calendar year 1998. Twenty million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 1999 is allocated to the Maine Educational Loan Authority to be used or reallocated in accordance with Title 10, section 363, subsection 8.
- Sec. 5. Allocation to the Maine State Housing Authority. The \$40,000,000 of the state ceiling for calendar year 1998 previously allocated to the Maine State Housing Authority is allocated to the Maine State Housing Authority to be used or reallocated in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10, section 363, subsection 4 for calendar year 1998. Forty million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 1999 is allocated to the Maine State Housing Authority for the same uses.