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See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 64

S.P. 862 - L.D. 2260

An Act to Provide Degree-granting Authority to the SALT Institute for Documentary Field Studies

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

Sec. 1. SALT Institute for Documentary Field Studies degree. The SALT Institute for Documentary Field Studies, located in Portland, Maine, may confer the degree of Master of Arts as usually conferred by like institutions.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 65

H.P. 1651 - L.D. 2320

An Act to Increase the Bonding Limit of the Trustees of the City of Brewer High School District from \$2,500,000 to \$5,000,000

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

Whereas, the increase in the debt limit of the City of Brewer High School District provided in this Act is necessary to fund improvements to the high school library; and

Whereas, these improvements need to be made as soon as possible in order for the high school to retain its accreditation from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges; 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 1925, c. 4, §5, first sentence, as amended by P&SL 1973, c. 47, is further amended to read:

To procure funds for the purposes of this Act and such other expenses as may be necessary to the carrying out of said purposes, the said district, by its trustees, is hereby authorized to issue notes and bonds, but shall not incur a total indebtedness exceeding the sum of ~~\$2,500,000~~ \$5,000,000 at any one time outstanding.

Sec. 2. Emergency clause; effective date; referendum. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the City of Brewer no later than December 31, 2000. The election must be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections, except that the board of registration in the City of Brewer is not required to prepare for posting, nor is the city clerk required to post, a new list of voters. For the purpose of registration of voters, the board of registration must be in session the 3 secular days next preceding the election, the first 2 days to be devoted to the registration of voters and the last day to enable the board to verify the corrections of the lists of voters and to complete and close up their records of these sessions.

The city clerk shall prepare the required ballots and shall reduce the subject matter of this Act to the following question:

"Do you favor increasing the debt limit of the City of Brewer High School District from \$2,500,000 to \$5,000,000?"

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

This Act takes effect for all purposes immediately upon its approval by a majority vote of the legal voters voting at the election, provided the total number of votes cast for and against the approval of this Act at the election equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor in the city at the next preceding gubernatorial election. Failure of approval of this Act by the necessary percentage of voters at such election or otherwise does not prevent a 2nd election being held at any other election of the City of Brewer held on or before December 31, 2000.

The election results must be declared by the municipal officers of the City of Brewer and due certificate of the results filed by the city clerk with the Secretary of State.

Effective pending referendum.