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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE
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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

J.S. McCarthy Company
Augusta, Maine
2001

Sec. 9. Bonds authorized but not issued.

Any bonds authorized but not issued, or for which bond anticipation notes are not issued within 5 years of ratification of this Act, are deauthorized and may not be issued; except that the Legislature may, within 2 years after the expiration of that 5-year period, extend the period for issuing any remaining unissued bonds or bond anticipation notes for an additional amount of time not to exceed 5 years.

Sec. 10. Referendum for ratification; submission at statewide election; form of question; effective date.

This Act must be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Maine at a statewide election held on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November following passage of this Act. The municipal officers of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of this Act by voting on the following question:

"Do you favor a \$15,000,000 bond issue to capitalize the State's School Revolving Renovation Fund for repairs and improvements in public school facilities to address health, safety and compliance deficiencies, general renovation needs and learning space upgrades?"

The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question and designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the word "Yes" or "No." The ballots must be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the returns and, if a majority of the legal votes are cast in favor of this Act, the Governor shall proclaim the result without delay, and this Act becomes effective 30 days after the date of the proclamation.

The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this Act necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

Effective pending referendum.

CHAPTER 42

H.P. 831 - L.D. 1103

An Act to Provide Additional Resources to the Oxford County Fair Society

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.

2001-02

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Miscellaneous Acts and Resolves

All Other \$25,000

Provides one-time funds as additional resources for the Oxford County Fair Society.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 43

S.P. 119 - L.D. 395

An Act to Provide Funding for a Low-flow Study for the Aroostook Water and Soil Management Board

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

Whereas, irrigation projects are essential to maintaining the health of agriculture in the State; and

Whereas, ongoing research efforts on a low-flow study in Aroostook County need to be continued on an uninterrupted basis during the current growing season; 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.

2001-02 2002-03

**AGRICULTURE, FOOD
AND RURAL
RESOURCES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

Low-flow Study

All Other	\$20,000	\$20,000
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Provides funds to pay the United States Geological Survey to conduct a low-flow study in Aroostook County.

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

Effective June 29, 2001.
