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

The results must be declared by the municipal officers of the Town of Brunswick and due certificate of the results filed by the clerk with the Secretary of State.

This Act takes effect for all other purposes immediately upon its approval by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election. Failure to achieve the necessary approval in any referendum does not prohibit subsequent referenda consistent with this section, provided the referenda are held by November 7, 2017.

Effective pending referendum.

CHAPTER 6

S.P. 408 - L.D. 1139

An Act To Provide for the 2015 and 2016 Allocations of the State Ceiling on Private Activity Bonds

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves 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 2013, chapter 20 make a partial allocation of the state ceiling on private activity bonds to some issuers for calendar year 2015 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 prior to the effective date of this Act if not enacted on an emergency basis; and

Whereas, if these bond issues must be delayed due to the lack of available 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. The \$5,000,000 of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2015 previously allocated to the Treasurer of State remains allocated to the

Treasurer of State to be used or reallocated in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10, section 363, subsection 5 for calendar year 2015. Five million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 2016 is allocated to the Treasurer of State to be used or reallocated in accordance with Title 10, section 363, subsection 5.

Sec. 2. Allocation to the Finance Authority of Maine. The \$40,000,000 of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2015 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 2015. Thirty-five million dollars of previously unallocated state ceiling for calendar year 2015 is allocated to the Finance Authority of Maine to be used or reallocated in accordance with Title 10, section 363, subsection 6 for calendar year 2015. Forty million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 2016 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 on private activity bonds for calendar year 2015 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 2015. Ten million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 2016 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 \$15,000,000 of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2015 previously allocated to the Maine Educational Loan Authority remains 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 2015. Fifteen million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 2016 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 \$50,000,000 of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2015 previously allocated to the Maine State Housing Authority remains 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 2015. Fifty million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 2016 is allocated to the Maine State Housing Authority to be used

or reallocated in accordance with Title 10, section 363, subsection 4.

Sec. 6. Unallocated state ceiling. One hundred forty-one million eight hundred twenty-five thousand dollars of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2015 is unallocated and must be reserved for future allocation in accordance with applicable laws. One hundred eighty-one million five hundred fifteen thousand dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 2016 is unallocated and must be reserved for future allocation in accordance with applicable laws.

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

Effective May 24, 2015.

CHAPTER 7

H.P. 847 - L.D. 1247

An Act To Release a Restriction on 2 Parcels of Former State Land in Greenbush Currently Owned by Anita P. Haskell

Preamble. The Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 23 requires that real estate held by the State for conservation or recreation purposes may not be reduced or its uses substantially altered except on the vote of 2/3 of all members elected to each House.

Whereas, certain real estate authorized for conveyance by this Act is under the designations described in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 598-A; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to release a restriction on former state land in Greenbush currently owned by Anita P. Haskell. The provision restricting the use to only agricultural or forestry purposes on the land in Greenbush currently owned by Anita P. Haskell, as required by Public Law 1993, chapter 335 and stated in a deed from the State of Maine to Anita P. Haskell and Leon L. Haskell dated February 11, 1994 and recorded in the Penobscot County Registry of Deeds, Book 5564, Page 244, must be released as provided in this section. The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall issue a deed to Anita P. Haskell releasing the restriction of only agricultural or forestry purposes on the land owned by Anita P. Haskell that is subject to the restriction stated in the deed from the State of Maine to Anita P. Haskell and Leon L. Haskell dated Febru-

ary 11, 1994 and recorded in the Penobscot County Registry of Deeds, Book 5564, Page 244. The restriction of use of the property only for agricultural or forestry purposes on the land owned by Anita P. Haskell may be released only after Anita P. Haskell and the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry have agreed that the State of Maine must be held harmless regarding any and all claims related to the property and the ownership of the property by the State of Maine and any predecessors in title. The release of the deed restriction and the hold harmless clause must be included in a single document constituting the deed to Anita P. Haskell and bind all successors in title. All legal costs related to the release of the deed restriction and the agreement regarding the hold harmless clause are the responsibility of Anita P. Haskell.

Sec. 2. Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to release a restriction on former state land in Greenbush currently owned by Anita P. Haskell. The provision restricting the use to only agricultural or forestry purposes on the land in Greenbush currently owned by Anita P. Haskell, as required by Public Law 1993, chapter 335 and stated in a deed from the State of Maine to Anita P. Haskell and Leon L. Haskell dated February 11, 1994 and recorded in the Penobscot County Registry of Deeds, Book 5564, Page 245, must be released as provided in this section. The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall issue a deed to Anita P. Haskell releasing the restriction of only agricultural or forestry purposes on the land owned by Anita P. Haskell that is subject to the restriction stated in the deed from the State of Maine to Anita P. Haskell and Leon L. Haskell dated February 11, 1994 and recorded in the Penobscot County Registry of Deeds, Book 5564, Page 245. The restriction of use of the property only for agricultural or forestry purposes on the land owned by Anita P. Haskell may be released only after Anita P. Haskell and the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry have agreed that the State of Maine must be held harmless regarding any and all claims related to the property and the ownership of the property by the State of Maine and any predecessors in title. The release of the deed restriction and the hold harmless clause must be included in a single document constituting the deed to Anita P. Haskell and bind all successors in title. All legal costs related to the release of the deed restriction and the agreement regarding the hold harmless clause are the responsibility of Anita P. Haskell.

See title page for effective date.