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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION
January 3, 2024 to May 10, 2024

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AUGUST 9, 2024

PUBLISHED BY THE REVISOR OF STATUTES
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,
TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

Augusta, Maine
2024

to payments of debts, obligations and other liabilities of the Monhegan Water Company assumed by Monhegan Plantation pursuant to this Act.

Sec. 10. P&SL 1913, c. 35 is repealed.

Sec. 11. Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State. 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 Monhegan Plantation at a regular election or at a special election called and held for the purpose no later than June 30, 2024. The election must be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections. The subject matter of this Act must be reduced to the following question:

"Do you favor the dissolution of the Monhegan Water Company and the acquisition of the assets and liabilities of the Monhegan Water Company by Monhegan Plantation for the purpose of establishing and operating the Monhegan Plantation water district?"

The result of the vote must be declared by the Monhegan Plantation board of assessors and due certificate of the vote must be filed by the plantation's clerk with the Secretary of State. If a majority of the legal voters of Monhegan Plantation voting at a regular or special election called and held no later than June 30, 2024 vote in favor of the question, the provisions of this Act other than section 10 take effect for all purposes upon certification of that vote, and section 10 of this Act takes effect for all purposes on January 1, 2025.

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

Effective pending referendum.

CHAPTER 18

S.P. 916 - L.D. 2160

An Act to Provide for the 2024 and 2025 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 2023, chapter 5 make a partial allocation of the state ceiling on private activity bonds to some issuers for calendar year 2024 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 it is 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 2024 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 2024. Five million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 2025 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, including as successor to the Maine Educational Loan Authority.

The \$100,000,000 of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2024 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 2024. The \$20,000,000 of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2024 previously allocated to the Finance Authority of Maine as successor to the Maine Educational Loan Authority 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 8 for calendar year 2024. An additional \$105,000,000 of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2024, previously unallocated, is allocated to the Finance Authority of Maine to be used or reallocated in accordance with Title 10, section 363, subsections 6 and 8. One hundred ninety-five million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 2025 is allocated to the Finance Authority of Maine to be used or reallocated in accordance with Title 10, section 363, subsections 6 and 8.

Sec. 3. Allocation to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank.

The \$10,000,000 of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2024 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 2024. Ten million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 2025 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 State Housing Authority. The \$50,000,000 of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2024 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 2024. An additional \$50,000,000 of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2024, previously unallocated, is allocated to the Maine State Housing Authority to be used or reallocated in accordance with Title 10, section 363, subsection 4. One hundred million dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 2025 is allocated to the Maine State Housing Authority to be used or reallocated in accordance with Title 10, section 363, subsection 4.

Sec. 5. Unallocated state ceiling. Thirty-eight million two hundred thirty thousand dollars of the state ceiling on private activity bonds for calendar year 2024 is unallocated and must be reserved for future allocation in accordance with applicable laws. Sixty-eight million two hundred thirty thousand dollars of the state ceiling for calendar year 2025 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 March 14, 2024.

CHAPTER 19

H.P. 1404 - L.D. 2190

An Act to Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2025

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

Sec. 1. Allocation. Gross revenues of the Maine Turnpike Authority for the calendar year ending December 31, 2025 must be segregated, apportioned and disbursed as designated in the following schedule.

MAINE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY		2025
Administration		
	Personal Services	\$1,346,428
	All Other	1,761,142
	TOTAL	\$3,107,570
Accounts and Controls		
	Personal Services	\$4,347,550
	All Other	1,954,469
	TOTAL	\$6,302,019
Highway Maintenance		
	Personal Services	\$6,729,527
	All Other	4,789,896
	TOTAL	\$11,519,423
Equipment Maintenance		
	Personal Services	\$1,546,143
	All Other	3,319,765
	TOTAL	\$4,865,908
Fare Collection		
	Personal Services	\$10,754,787
	All Other	4,704,482
	TOTAL	\$15,459,269
Public Safety and Special Services		
	Personal Services	\$641,677
	All Other	8,056,668
	TOTAL	\$8,698,345
Building Maintenance		
	Personal Services	\$817,109
	All Other	722,382
	TOTAL	\$1,539,491
	Subtotal of Line Items Budgeted	\$51,492,024
	General Contingency - 10% of line items budgeted for 2025 (10% allowed)	\$5,149,203
MAINE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY		
TOTAL REVENUE FUNDS		\$56,641,227

Sec. 2. Transfer of allocations. Any balance of the allocation for "General Contingency" made by the Legislature for the Maine Turnpike Authority may be transferred at any time prior to the closing of the books to any other allocation or subdivision of any other allocation made by the Legislature for the use of the