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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. P. LOPEZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Local Governments

AN ACT to legalize, validate, ratify and confirm certain actions taken by the town of Cairo, Greene county, New York, with respect to obligations heretofore issued, and authorizing the issuance of obligations of said town with respect thereto

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Legislative findings. It is hereby found and determined 1 (i) the town of Cairo, Greene county, New York, has heretofore 3 duly adopted bond resolutions authorizing the aggregate issuance of \$2,915,000 serial bonds to finance the upgrade and expansion to the 5 town's wastewater treatment plant, construction of a force main, improvements to its sewer system; (ii) pursuant to such bond 7 resolutions, said town issued a bond anticipation note in the principal amount of \$750,000 on December 24, 2008 and renewals of said bond antic-8 9 ipation note on December 24, 2009 and December 23, 2010 and made a prinpayment of \$29,285 on said bond anticipation note on December 23, 10 2010; (iii) pursuant to such bond resolutions, said town also obtained 11 12 short term financing through the New York state environmental facilities 13 corporation ("EFC") on September 29, 2011 in the maximum aggregate 14 amount of \$2,885,715.00, which refinanced the outstanding principal balance of said bond anticipation note of \$720,715; (iv) the town did 15 not make the minimum principal payments on the EFC short term financing 16 17 anticipation notes of \$19,300 for 2011 and \$20,000 for 2012 until December 2013; (v) section 21.00 of the local finance law states that no 18 19 annual installment of bonds or bond anticipation notes shall be more 20 than fifty per centum of the smallest prior installment, except that the municipality may determine to provide for substantially level or declin-21 annual debt service, and section 23.00 of the local finance law 22 23 states that notes or the renewals thereof shall not extend more than two 24 years beyond the original date of issue unless a portion of such notes 25 the renewals thereof shall be redeemed from a source other than the proceeds of bonds within two years from such original date of issue and 26

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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unless a further portion thereof shall be so redeemed prior to the termination of each twelve months' period succeeding the date such original portion was so redeemed; and (vi) the timing of the town's payments on the EFC note render it incapable of amortizing a long-term conversion of the short-term EFC financing to comply with the aforesaid amortization requirements of sections 21.00 and 23.00 of the local finance law.

- S 2. Notwithstanding the defects described in section one of this act, the bond anticipation notes and any renewals thereof issued by the town of Cairo as described in section one of this act, and all resolutions, acts and proceedings heretofore adopted or taken by the town board and the supervisor of said town in relation thereto, are hereby validated, ratified and confirmed and any principal payment made by such town in 2013 on the bond anticipation note shall be deemed to be in compliance with the amortization requirements of sections 21.00, 23.00, and 169.00 of the local finance law.
- S 3. Except as otherwise set forth in this act, the bonds and bond anticipation notes, and renewals thereof, issued pursuant to this act shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of the local finance law.
- S 4. If any clause, sentence, subdivision, paragraph or part of this act be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, subdivision, paragraph, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.
  - S 5. This act shall take effect immediately.