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STATE OF MAINE

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This Act shall take effect for all purposes when it is accepted by a majority of the legal voters voting at such an election, provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor cast in Mexico at the next previous gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the Town of Mexico and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.

Effective September 23, 1983.

CHAPTER 33

H.P. 24 - L.D. 29

AN ACT to Create a Student Seat on the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine.

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1865, c. 532, §4, as amended by PL 1977, c. 696, §354, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Sec. 4. Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees of the University of Maine shall consist of 16 members.

1. Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services. The Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services shall serve as a voting member ex officio.

2. Members appointed by the Governor. Fourteen members shall be appointed for 7-year terms by the Governor, subject to review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and confirmation by the Legislature. Each term shall expire on May 26th of the appropriate year, except that the retiring member shall serve until a successor is appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature. No person accepting such appointment may be a member of the State Board of Education. Trustees may serve a maximum of 2 terms, except that an individual appointed to fill an unexpired term of 3 years or

less is eligible for appointment 2 full terms. Trustees shall retire on reaching the age of 70. Vacancies shall be filled by the Governor, subject to review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and confirmation by the Legislature, for the unexpired balance of the term. In order to restore and maintain rotation of terms of office of trustees, an incumbent trustee who was appointed for a term of 7 years at a time subsequent to the expiration of the term of his predecessor in office shall be deemed to have commenced his 7-year term upon the date of the expiration of the term of office of his predecessor rather than from the date of his appointment and qualification. Trustees shall serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for travel and other expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

3. Student member. One of the members shall be a full-time student at one of the campuses of the University of Maine at the time of appointment and shall be a permanent resident of the State. To be eligible as a student member, a student must be enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester. The student member shall be a full voting member of the Board of Trustees, and shall serve for a 2-year term and until a successor is qualified. The Governor shall nominate the student member from a list of 5 eligible students submitted by the University of Maine organization of student governments. The nomination shall be made within 30 days of receiving the list of names and shall be subject to review by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and confirmation by the Legislature. The student representative shall not come from the same campus in any 2 consecutive terms.

4. Meetings of the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees shall meet from time to time at each of the various campuses of the University of Maine, whenever reasonably practical.

Sec. 2. Implementation. This Act shall not affect the variety of appointments nor the length of terms of the trustees appointed to the Board of Trustees prior to the effective date of this Act, and each trustee shall continue to serve until the end of the term to which the individual was appointed. Any vacancies occurring after the effective date of this Act shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

The student member shall be nominated for a 2-year term by the Governor within 60 days after the effective date of this Act.