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**Legislative Document**

**No. 314**

H. P. 191

House of Representatives, January 12, 1961

Read and on motion by Mr. Lowery of Brunswick, tabled pending reference and ordered printed. Tomorrow assigned.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Schulten of Woolwich.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-ONE

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**AN ACT Relating to Brunswick, Topsham and Harpswell High School Pupil Tuition Authorization.**

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**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, the Towns of Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Durham, Harpswell and Topsham were authorized to enter into contracts with the Town of Brunswick for high school facilities upon payment of certain tuition and sharing in the costs of constructing a high school addition under the private and special laws of 1949, chapter 102, and amendments thereto; and

Whereas, the Towns of Topsham and Harpswell entered into such contracts with the Town of Brunswick, which contracts are still in effect and have been fully complied with by all parties thereto; and

Whereas, the private and special laws of 1949, chapter 102, section 5, limits the contractual period to not more than 10 years from the original contract date, which period will be up in April 1961; and

Whereas, the Towns of Topsham and Harpswell will not have completely paid their respective shares of the total cost of construction by that termination date even though they have fully complied with their contracts; 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:

**P. & S. L., 1949, c. 102, § 5, amended.** Section 5 of chapter 102 of the private and special laws of 1949 is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 5. Other contract terms; renewal.** Contracts may be made for a period of not more than 5 years and may, if agreed upon, be made subject to modification of specified terms during the contract period; to cancellation by mutual agreement; and to renewal from time to time for a period not longer than ~~10~~ **15** years from the original contract date; and contracts may contain such other terms and conditions, not inconsistent with this act, as may be agreed upon between the superintending school committees of the contracting towns and approved by the Commissioner of Education, on the basis of local conditions or experience; and shall contain any terms and conditions, not inconsistent with this act, which may be specified by vote in town meeting of a contracting party and approved by the commissioner.'

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.