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## ONE - HUNDRETH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

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H. P. 280

House of Representatives, January 17, 1961.

Referred to the Committee on Towns & Counties. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Wheaton of Princeton.

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### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-ONE

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#### **AN ACT to Incorporate Baring, Washington County, into an Organized Plantation.**

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

**Sec. 1. The Unorganized Plantation of Baring.** The Unorganized Plantation of Baring in the County of Washington, with the inhabitants therein, is incorporated into a plantation by the name of Baring. The inhabitants of said plantation are vested with the powers, privileges and immunities which the inhabitants of plantations within the State do or may enjoy. The plantation hereby created shall take the effects belonging to the former Town of Baring and later the Plantation of Baring and which have not heretofore been legally disposed of by the State or by the County of Washington.

**Sec. 2. Effective date.** This act shall become effective for all purposes, except education, at the annual meeting in March, 1962.

**Sec. 3. Effective date for education.** This act shall become effective for education purposes July 1, 1962, on which date the Plantation of Baring shall assume full responsibility for providing the educational opportunities as required and permitted under the laws of the State, and the Plantation of Baring shall thereafter be subject to the same requirements, benefits and privileges as other plantations in the State. The first full subsidy payment under the General Purpose Educational Aid Law shall be due and payable December, 1962, said subsidy to be based on expenditures made by the State for the Unorganized Plantation of Baring, it being the intent to base subsidy on the expenditures Baring would have made had it been an organized plantation.

**Sec. 4. Responsibility of State.** The State of Maine shall assume responsibility for any outstanding indebtedness at the time of reincorporation; and thereafter neither the Plantation of Baring nor the inhabitants therein shall be deemed responsible for any obligations incurred prior to these dates. As of the effective date of incorporation the State shall turn over and deliver to the Plantation of Baring all funds, including funds of the Ministerial and School Funds, belonging to the former Town of Baring and later the Plantation of Baring, that remain after the payment of outstanding indebtedness.

**Sec. 5. Plantation required to be a member of the Maine Forestry District.** After the effective date of this act in March, 1962, the Plantation of Baring shall be required to be a member of the Maine Forestry District.

**Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State.** This act shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters within the Unorganized Plantation of Baring at an election to be called and held in said plantation on the 3rd Monday in September, 1961. Such an election shall be called, held and conducted by the Secretary of State in the same manner as local option elections in unorganized plantations are conducted in accordance with the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 61, section 23, except that no petition for said election shall be required.

This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said election; provided the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act equals or exceeds 50% of the total number of qualified voters in said unorganized plantation.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the Secretary of State and due certificate thereof filed by him in his office.