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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-THREE

**AN ACT Increasing Number of Superintending School Committee of Town of
Baileyville.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after the adjournment of the Legislature unless enacted as emergencies ; and

Whereas, in order to provide better administration of the schools of Baileyville for the benefit of the children of said town, the following legislation is vitally necessary ; and

Whereas, the legal voters of the Town of Baileyville should be permitted to vote whether or not to increase the number of the school committee at the annual town meeting in March, 1963 ; 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. P. & S. L., 1933, c. 95, § 2, amended. The first paragraph of section 2 of chapter 95 of the private and special laws of 1933 is amended to read as follows :

'At such meetings the voters shall choose by ballot a member or members of the council as hereinafter provided, who shall be inhabitants of the town, a town clerk and an auditor of accounts and a member of the superintending school committee to serve for 3 years. The present members of the superintending school committee shall serve until the expiration of their present terms, and during the balance of their respective terms of office, together with the new member or members chosen in accordance with this act, shall constitute the superintending school committee of said town until all members of said committee shall have been chosen hereunder.'

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1933, c. 95, § 4-A, additional. Chapter 95 of the private and special laws of 1933 is amended by adding a new section 4-A, as follows:

'Sec. 4-A. Superintending school committee. The Town of Baileyville may increase the membership of the superintending school committee to 5 members. The Town of Baileyville may choose by ballot at its first annual town meeting held after the effective date of this act 3 additional superintending school committee members to serve with the 2 members already in office, and shall fill vacancies arising therein at each subsequent annual town meeting.

The 3 members thus chosen shall be elected as follows: one member to serve 2 years and the other 2 members to serve 3 years; and thereafter the members shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meeting of the Town of Baileyville to hold office for 3 years. Said committee may fill vacancies occurring between annual meetings, and the term of office of any member of the committee so chosen shall expire at the next annual meeting.

A vote of a majority of the full membership of the committee shall be required for the purpose of conducting business and exercising the powers of the committee and for all other purposes.

No member of the superintending school committee shall be employed as a teacher in any public school or contract high school or academy located within this supervisory union. In case any member of the superintending school committee shall remove from the town or be absent for more than 90 days, a vacancy shall be declared to exist and the remaining members shall, within 30 days thereafter, choose another member as hereinbefore provided. Whenever the remaining members fail to appoint a person to fill a vacancy, the same may be filled by election at a town meeting called for the purpose.

The superintending school committee shall designate 3 of its members to serve on the joint committee of the school union and they shall be empowered to designate any one member of the 3 to act for the entire group. The total vote or votes cast by such member or members at such meeting of the joint committee shall not exceed 3.'

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