

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 211

S. P. 40

In Senate, January 13, 1965

Referred to Committee on Education. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Secretary

Presented by Senator Hilton of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Authorize the Municipalities of Belgrade, Mercer, New Sharon, Norridgewock and Smithfield to Form a School Administrative District.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the school committees of the municipalities of Belgrade, Mercer, New Sharon, Norridgewock and Smithfield desire to form a School Administrative District; and

Whereas, there is a need for safe and adequate school facilities vitally present in the municipalities; and

Whereas, the school programs of the area could be improved; and

Whereas, it is geographically impossible to meet the minimum requirement of 300 resident high school pupils in this area; and

Whereas, the State Board of Education cannot approve the formation of this proposed district under the criteria set out in the Revised Statutes, Title 20, section 213; and

Whereas, said Title 20, section 212, provides that the Legislature may establish such School Administrative District; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of the State 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:

School Administrative District for Belgrade, Mercer, New Sharon, Norridgewock and Smithfield. The municipalities of Belgrade, Mercer, New Sharon,

Norridgewock and Smithfield are exempted from the limitations provided in the Revised Statutes, Title 20, section 213, and the State Board of Education is authorized to proceed pursuant to said Title 20, sections 215 to 307, to take the necessary action to allow the municipalities of Belgrade, Mercer, New Sharon, Norridgewock and Smithfield to form a School Administrative District consisting of at least 4 of the above-mentioned towns.

Nothing contained herein shall be construed to limit the number of times that the above-named municipalities may make application to the State Board of Education, nor shall the authority granted to the State Board of Education under this Act be limited to any specified number of times for the board to authorize the above-named municipalities to act on the formation of a School Administrative District.

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