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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
102ND LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 506, L.D. 659, Bill, "An Act Providing for Election of School Board of City of Old Town."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1945, c. 49, Art. IV, §3, amended. Section 3 of Article IV of chapter 49 of the private and special laws of 1945 is amended by adding after the 2nd sentence, a new sentence, as follows: 'The petition of a candidate for the school board shall be signed by not less than 25 nor more than 100 qualified voters of the ward wherein the candidate is to be elected, or if a candidate at large, the petition shall be signed by not less than 25 nor more than 100 qualified voters of the city.'

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1945, c. 49, Art. VI, §1, repealed and replaced. Section 1 of Article VI of chapter 49 of the private and special laws of 1945 is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 1. Composition, election, tenure of office. The school board shall consist of 7 members. One shall be elected at large by the registered voters of the entire city. One shall be elected from each of the 6 wards by the voters of the ward.

They shall hold office for a term of 3 years and until their successors are elected and qualified with the following exceptions: At the first election after the effective date of this Act the 2 members from wards receiving the largest number of votes shall serve for 3 years, the 2 members from wards receiving the next largest number of votes shall serve for 2 years and the 2 members from wards receiving the smallest number of votes shall serve for one year. If for any reason a vacancy shall exist in the membership of the school board, the vacancy shall be filled forthwith by appointment by the city council for the unexpired term.'

Referendum; effective date. This Act shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the City of Old Town at the next regular city election or at a special election to be called and held for the purpose. Such special election shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided that the board of registration in said City of Old Town shall not be required to prepare, nor the city clerk to post, a new list of voters.

The city clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this Act to the following question: "Shall the Act Providing for election of School Board of City of Old Town, passed by the 102nd Legislature, be accepted?" The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same.

This Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority vote of the legal voters voting at said election; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act at said election equaled or exceeded 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor in said city at

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the next preceding gubernatorial election.

The result of such election shall be declared by the municipal officers of the City of Old Town and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the city clerk with the Secretary of State."

Filed by Mr. Binnette of Old Town.

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