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JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Davis of Calais.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-FIVE

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### **AN ACT Relating to Number and Boundaries of Wards in City of Calais.**

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

**P. & S. L., 1947, c. 172, Art. II, § 1, amended.** The 5th paragraph of section 1 of Article II of chapter 172 of the private and special laws of 1947 is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

**'The said city shall be divided for election purposes into not less than 3 wards and not more than 7 wards, the exact number and boundaries to be determined by the city council from time to time as is deemed necessary and in such manner as to preserve as nearly as convenient an equal number of inhabitants in each ward.'**

**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 qualified voters of the City of Calais at any regular or special election to be held before December 31, 1966.

Such special election shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided that the board of registration in the City of Calais shall not be required to prepare for posting, nor the city clerk to post, a new list of voters; and for the purpose of registration of voters said board shall be in session the 3 secular days next preceding such election, the first 2 days thereof to be devoted to registration of voters, and the last day to enable the board to verify the corrections of said lists and to complete and close up its records of said sessions.

The city clerk shall reduce the subject matter of said Act to the following question: "Shall the Act Relating to Number and Boundaries of Wards in City

of Calais, 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 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 equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor in said city at the next previous gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the City of Calais and due certificate filed by the city clerk with the Secretary of State.