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Presented by Mr. Dunn of Denmark.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Creating County Commissioner Districts.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 30, § 105-A, additional. Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 105-A to read as follows:

§ 105-A. Commissioner Districts

The counties shall be divided into 3 districts by the Legislature. The districts shall have as near equal population as possible. The population of each district shall not vary more than 10% from $\frac{1}{3}$ of the total population of the county. Districts shall be composed of municipalities adjacent to each other. The districts shall be revised by the Legislature at its next regular session immediately following the taking of the Federal Decennial Census.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 30, § 105-B, additional. Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 105-B to read as follows:

§ 105-B. Creation of Commissioner Districts

Androscoggin County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Auburn, Mechanic Falls, Minot and Poland.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of Lewiston, precincts numbered 1-1, 1-2, 2-1, 2-2, 3-1, 3-2, 4-1, 5 and 6-1.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Durham, Greene, Leeds, Lewiston, precincts 4-2, 6-2, 7-1 and 7-2 and Lisbon, Livermore, Livermore Falls, Turner Wales and Webster.

Aroostook County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities and unorganized territory of Allagash Plt., Caswell Plt., Cyr Plt., Fort Kent, Frenchville, Grand Isle, Hamlin Plt., Limestone, Madawaska, New Canada Plt., St. Agatha, St. Francis Plt., St. John Plt., Van Buren, Wallagrass Plt., Connor Twp., T16R12, 16R13, 16R14, 17R3, 17R4, 17R5, 17R12, 17R13, 17R14, 18R10, 18R11, 18R12, 18R13, 19R11, 19R12, 20R11, and 20R12 WELS.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities and unorganized territory of Caribou, Castle Hill, Eagle Lake, Mapleton, New Sweden, Perham, Portage Lake, Presque Isle, Stockholm, Wade, Washburn, Westmanland Plt., Winterville Plt., Woodland, T11R9, 11R10, 11R11, 11R12, 11R13, 11R14, 11R15, 11R16, 11R17, 12R9, 12R10, 12R11, 12R12, 12R13, 12R14, 12R15, 12R16, 12R17, 13R5, 13R7, 13R8, 13R9, 13R10, 13R11, 13R12, 13R13, 13R14, 13R15, 13R16, 14R5, 14R6, 14R7, 14R8, 14R9, 14R10, 14R11, 14R12, 14R13, 14R14, 14R15, 14R16, 15R5, 15R6, 15R8, 15R9, 15R10, 15R11, 15R12, 15R13, 15R14, 15R15, 16R4, 16R5, 16R6, 16R8 and 16R9 WELS.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities and unorganized territory of Amity, Ashland, Bancroft, Benedicta, Blaine, Bridgewater, Cary Plt., Chapman, Cox Patent, Crystal, Dyer Brook, Dudley, Easton, E. Plt., Forkstown, Fort Fairfield, Garfield Plt., Glenwood Plt., Hammond Plt., Haynesville, Hersey, Hodgdon, Houlton, Island Falls, Linneus, Littleton, Ludlow, Macwahoc, Mars Hill, Masardis, Merrill, Monticello, Moro Plt., Molunkus, Nashville Plt., New Limerick, North Yarmouth Academy Grant, Oakfield, Orient, Oxbow Plt., Reed Plt., Sherman, Silver Ridge Twp., Smyrna, Squapan, St. Croix, Webbertown, Westfield, Weston, Upper Molunkus, TAR2, TCR2, TDR2, T1R5, 2R4, 3R3, 3R4, 4R3, 7R5, 8R3, 8R5, 9R3, 9R4, 9R5, 9R7, 9R8, 10R3, 10R6, 10R7, 10R8, 11R4, 11R7, 11R8, 12R7 and 12 R8 WELS.

Cumberland County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipality of Portland, precincts 3-2, 4-1, 4-2, 5-1, 6-1, 1-1, 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 1-5, 2-1, 2-2 and 3-1.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Cape Elizabeth, Portland, precincts 5-2, 6-2, Scarborough, South Portland and Westbrook.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Baldwin, Bridgton, Brunswick, Casco, Cumberland, Falmouth, Freeport, Gorham, Gray, Harpswell, Harrison, Naples, New Gloucester, North Yarmouth, Otisfield, Pownal, Raymond, Sebago, Standish, Windham and Yarmouth.

Franklin County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Chesterville, Jay and Wilton.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Carthage, Farmington, New Sharon, Perkins Twp., Temple, Washington Twp., and Weld.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities and unorganized territory of Alder Stream, Avon, Beattie, Chain of Ponds, Coburn Gore, Coplin Plt., Dallas Plt., Davis, Eustis, Freeman Twp., Gorham Gore, Industry, Jerusalem, Jim Pond, Kibby, Kingfield, Lang, Lowelltown, Madrid, Massachusetts Gore, Merrill Strip, Mt. Abraham, New Vineyard, Phillips, Rangeley, Rangeley Plt., Redington, Salem Twp., Sandy River Plt., Seven Ponds, Skinner, Stetsontown, Strong, Sugarloaf, Tim Pond, Twp. D, Twp. E, Twp. No. 6 and Wyman.

Hancock County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities and unorganized territory of Amherst, Aurora, Blue Hill, Dedham, Eastbrook, Ellsworth, Franklin, Gouldsboro, Mariaville, No. 33 Plt., Osborn Plt., Otis, Sorento, Sullivan, Surry, Waltham, Winter Harbor, T16, T22, T28, T32, T34, T35, T39, T40, T41 Middle Division, T3, T4 North Division, T7, T8, T9 and T10 South Division.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Brooklin, Brooksville, Bucksport, Castine, Deer Isle, Long Island Plt., Orland, Penobscot, Sedgwick, Stonington, Swans Island and Verona.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Bar Harbor, Cranberry Isles, Hancock, Lamoine, Mt. Desert, Southwest Harbor, Tremont and Trenton.

Kennebec County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Belgrade, Chelsea, Farmingdale, Fayette, Gardiner, Hallowell, Litchfield, Manchester, Monmouth, Mt. Vernon, Pittston, Randolph, Readfield, Rome, Vienna, Wayne, West Gardiner and Winthrop.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Benton, Clinton, Oakland, Unity Twp., Waterville and Winslow.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Albion, Augusta, China, Sidney, Vassalboro and Windsor.

Knox County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Appleton, Camden, Hibberts Gore, Hope, Isle Au Haut, North Haven, Rockport, Union and Washington.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Rockland and Vinalhaven.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Cushing, Friendship, Matinicus Isle Plt., Owls Head, St. George, South Thomaston, Thomaston and Warren.

Lincoln County shall be divided into the following 3 districts

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Jefferson, Nobleboro, Somerville Plt., Waldoboro and Whitefield.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor, Southport, Westport and Wiscasset.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Alna, Bremen, Bristol, Damariscotta, Dresden, Edgecomb, Monhegan Plt., Newcastle and South Bristol.

Oxford County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Byron, Mexico, Roxbury and Rumford.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Buckfield, Canton, Dixfield, Greenwood, Hartford, Hebron, Milton Twp., Oxford, Paris, Peru, Sumner, West Paris and Woodstock.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Adams-town, Albany Twp., Andover, Andover North Surplus, Andover West Surplus, Batchelders Grant, Bethel, Bowmantown, Brownfield, C. Surplus Twp., Denmark, Fryeburg, Gilead, Grafton, Hanover, Hiram, Lincoln Plt., Lovell, Lower Cupsuptic, Lynchtown, Magalloway Plt., Mason Twp., Newry, Norway, Oxbow, Parkertown, Parmachenee, Porter, Richardsontown, Riley, Stoneham, Stow, Sweden, Twp. C, Upper Cupsuptic, Upton and Waterford.

Penobscot County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities and unorganized territory of Alton, Argyle Twp., Bradford, Bradley, Burlington, Carroll Plt., Charleston, Chester, Corinth, Drew Plt., East Millinocket, Edinburg, Enfield, Glenburn, Grand Falls Plt., Greenbush, Greenfield, Grindstone, Herseytown, Hopkins Academy Grant, Howland, Hudson, Indian Purchase, T4 & T3, Indian Res., Kenduskeag, Kingman Twp., LaGrange, Lakeville Plt., Lee, Lincoln, Lowell, Mattamiscontis, Mattawamkeag, Maxfield, Medway, Milford, Millinocket, Mount Chase Plt., Old Town, Orono, Passadumkeag, Patten, Prentiss Plt., Sebois Plt., Soldiertown, Springfield, Stacyville, Summit, Veazie, Veazie Gore, Webster Plt., Winn, Woodville, TAR7, TAR8, TAR9, T3R1, 5R1, 2R8, 2R9, NBPP, T3R9, NWP, T1R6, 1R8, 2R8, 3R7, 3R8, 4R7, 4R8, 5R7, 5R8, 6R6, 6R7, 6R8, 7R6, 7R7, 7R8, 8R6, 8R7 and 8R8 WELS.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the City of Bangor.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Brewer, Carmel, Clifton, Corinna, Dexter, Dixmont, Eddington, Etna, Exeter, Garland, Hampden, Herman, Holden, Levant, Newburg, Newport, Orrington, Plymouth and Stetson.

Piscataquis County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Dover-Foxcroft, Parkman and Sangerville.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Atkinson, Barnard Plt., Bowerbank, Brownville, Lake View Plt., Medford Twp., Milo, Orneville, Sebec and Williamsburg.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities and unorganized territory of Abbott, Big Squaw, Blanchard Plt., Bowdoin College Grant, East and West, Burbank, Chesuncook, Days Academy Grant, Eagle Lake, East Middlesex Canal Grant, Elliotsville Plt., Frenchtown, Greenville, Guilford, Katahdin Iron Works, Kineo Twp., Kingsbury Plt., Lily Bay, Little Squaw, Lobster, Monson, Mt. Katahdin, Rainbow, Sandbar Tract, Shirley, Soper Mt., Wellington, Willimantic, TA2R13, & R14, TAR10, R11, R12, TBR10, R11, TXR14, T4R9, 5R9, 7R9 NWP, T1R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, T2R9, R10, R12, R13, T3R10, R11, R12, R13, T4R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15, T5R9, R10, R11, R12, R14, R15, T6R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15, T7R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15, T8R9, R10, R11, R14, R15, T9R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15, T10R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14 and R15 WELS.

Sagadahoc County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Perkins Twp., Richmond and Topsham.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the City of Bath, wards 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Arrowsic, Bath, wards 1 and 2, Georgetown, Phippsburg, West Bath and Woolwich.

Somerset County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Fairfield and Skowhegan.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Athens, Bingham, Brighton Plt., Cambridge, Canaan, Cornville, Detroit, Harmony, Hartland, Moscow, Palmyra, Pittsfield, Ripley and St. Albans.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities and unorganized territory of Alder Brook, Anson, Appleton, Attean Pond, Bald Mtn. T2R3, Bald Mtn. T4R3, Big 6, Big 10, Big W, Bigelow, Blake Gore, Bowtown, Brassua, Caratunk Plt., Carrying Place Town, Chase Stream, Comstock, Concord Twp., Dead River, Dennistown Plt., Dole Brook, East Moxie, Elm Stream, Embden, Flagstaff, Forsyth, Hammond, Highland Plt., Hobbstown, Holem, Indian Stream, Jackman, King & Bartlett, Lexington, Little W, Long Pond, Lower Enchanted, Madison, Mayfield, Mercer, Misery, Misery Gore, Moose River, Moxie Gore, New Portland, Norridgewock, Parlin Pond, Pierce Pond, Pittston Academy Grant, Pleasant Ridge Plt., Plymouth, Prentiss, Rockwood Strip, Saboomook, Sandwich Academy Grant, Sandy Bay, Sapling, Smithfield, Soldiertown, Solon, Squartown, Starks, Taunton & Raynham Grant, The Forks Plt., Thorndike, Tomhegan, Upper Enchanted, West Forks Plt., West Middlesex Canal Grant, 10,000 Acre Tract, T3R4, 3R5, 5R6, 5R7, 4R7 BKPWKR, T1R3, T4R5 NBKP, T4R17, T5R16, R17, R18, R19, R20, 6R16, R17, R18, 7R16, R17, R18, R19, T8R16, R17, R18, R19, 9R16, R17, R18 and 10R16 WELS.

Waldo County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Belfast, Belmont, Islesboro and Northport.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Frankfort, Jackson, Monroe, Prospect, Searsport, Stockton Springs, Swanville, Waldo and Winterport.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Brooks, Burnham, Freedom, Knox, Liberty, Lincolnville, Montville, Morrill, Palermo, Searsmont, Thorndike, Troy and Unity.

Washington County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Alexander, Baileyville, Baring Twp., Brookton, Calais, Charlotte, Codyville Plt., Cooper, Crawford, Danforth, Dyer, Forest, Forest City, Fowler, Grand Lake Stream Plt., Indian Reservation, Indian Twp., Kossuth, Lambert Lake, Meddybemps, No. 21 Plt., Princeton, Robbinston, Talmadge, Topsfield, Vanceboro, Waite, T19, T27 East Division, T42, T43 Middle Division, T5, T6 North Division, T6R1, T8R3, T11R3, T8R4 NBPP.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Cutler, Dennysville, East Machias, Eastport, Edmunds Twp., Lubec, Machiasport, Marion Twp., Marshfield, No. 14 Plt., Pembroke, Perry, Trescott Twp., Whiting, T18 East Division.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Addison, Beals, Beddington, Centerville, Cherryfield, Columbia, Columbia Falls, Deblois, Devereaux, Harrington, Jonesboro, Jonesport, Machias, Milbridge, Northfield, Roque Bluffs, Steuben, Wesley, Whitneyville, T26 East Division, T18, T19, T24, T25, T30, T31, T36, T37 Middle Division.

York County shall be divided into the following 3 districts:

Commissioner District number one consisting of the municipalities of Arundel, Eliot, Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Kittery, South Berwick, Wells and York.

Commissioner District number 2 consisting of the municipalities of Acton, Alfred, Berwick, Buxton, Cornish, Dayton, Hollis, Lebanon, Limerick, Limington, Lyman, Newfield, North Berwick, Parsonfield, Sanford, Shapleigh, and Waterboro.

Commissioner District number 3 consisting of the municipalities of Biddeford, Old Orchard Beach and Saco.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 30, § 105-C, additional. Title 30 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 105-C, to read as follows:

§ 105-C. Transition

The transition to the district system shall be made in the following manner: In 1968 the Commissioner District having the largest population which, for the next term, would not otherwise be represented on the board of commissioners, shall elect a commissioner. In 1970 the commissioner from the 2nd largest Commissioner District which, for the next term, would not otherwise be represented on the board of commissioners, shall be elected. In 1972 the commissioner from the remaining Commissioner District shall be elected. Thereafter elections shall

continue in a manner so that each district shall at all times be represented on the board of commissioners.

Sec. 4. Residents of unorganized territory. Residents of unorganized territory, who are entitled to vote in the State of Maine, shall be allowed to register and vote in the nearest accessible organized municipality within the same county.