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## ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

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H. P. 879

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Carroll of Limerick.

## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Voting Procedures in School Administrative District Formation.

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

R. S., T. 20, § 215, sub-§ 4, amended. The first paragraph of subsection 4 of section 215 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 194 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

When the record of the meeting has been received by the board and found to be in order, the board shall order the question of the formation of the proposed School Administrative District and other questions relating thereto to be submitted to the legal voters of the municipalities which fall within the proposed School Administrative District. The order shall be directed to the municipal officers of the municipalities which propose to form a School Administrative District, directing them to call town meetings or city elections, as the case may be, for the purpose of voting in favor of or in opposition to each article. Notwithstanding that an administrative unit may have adopted the secret ballot procedure for the purpose of electing town officials and is to follow said procedure in the election of school directors, all administrative units shall vote upon the remaining articles on the questions of school district formation in the same fashion as the units conduct other business at regular or special town meetings. The State Board of Education shall determine the date upon which all municipalities shall vote upon the articles of district formation submitted to The board shall give written notice by registered or certified mail, at least 30 days before the date so set, which notice shall be sent directly to the town or city clerk of each municipality having a right to vote on the articles of district formation. The town or city clerk shall immediately notify the municipal officers upon receipt of said notice and said municipal officers shall meet and immediately issue a warrant for a special town meeting or city election, as the case may be, and the date of said town meeting or said city election so called shall be the date as designated by said board and no other date shall be used. In the respective warrants, the municipal officers shall direct that the town meeting or city election shall open at 7:30 in the afternoon. and the The articles shall be in the following form: