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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1468, L. D. 1911, Bill, "AN ACT to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Education Laws."

Amend said Bill by inserting after the enacting clause the following:

'Sec. 1. R. S., T. 20, §225, sub-§2, ¶A, amended. The 2nd sentence of paragraph A of subsection 2 of section 225 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as last repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 196 of the public laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

It shall further be the duty of the board of directors to prepare and furnish the required number of ballots for carrying out the election as posted, including absentee ballots.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 20, §225, sub-§2, ¶¶G & H, amended. Paragraphs G and H of subsection 2 of section 225 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes are amended to read as follows:

G. The voting at meetings held in towns shall be held and conducted in accordance with Title 30, sections 2061 to 2064, even though the town has not accepted the provisions of said section 2061 and 2062. The absentee voting procedure outlined in Title 21 shall be used, except the duties of the Secretary of State shall be performed by the district directors.

H. The voting at meetings in cities shall be held and conducted in accordance with Title 21, including the absentee voting procedure, except that the duties of the Secretary of State shall be performed by the district directors.'

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Further amend said Bill by renumbering sections 1 to 7 to be sections 3 to 9.

Statement of Fact

There is confusion in some of the municipalities of the State as to whether the absentee voting procedure in Title 21 is to be utilized respecting district meetings held in School Administrative Districts. The Department of Education has advised some municipalities that the absentee voting procedure is an integral part of district meetings conducted under the provisions of Title 20, section 225. The provisions of the reference statute do not, however, pointedly direct that the absentee voting procedure shall be available in said district meetings. It is the purpose of this amendment to clarify the subject.

Filed by Mr. Simpson of Standish.

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