

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**No. 1927**

H. P. 1484

House of Representatives, January 24, 1972

The Committee on Legal Affairs suggested.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Berry of Madison.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
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**AN ACT Relating to Change of Name and Powers of Anson Academy.**

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**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Act of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, by chapter 76 of the resolves of 1969 the property and real estate of Anson Academy was conveyed to School Administrative District No. 74; and

Whereas, the trustees of Anson Academy are in existence; and

Whereas, the powers and duties of the academy should be revised so that the trust funds may be utilized more efficiently; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1823, c. 201, § 1, amended.** Section 1 of chapter 201 of the private and special laws of 1823, is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 1. Persons incorporated; powers.** That there ~~be, and hereby~~ is established in the Town of Anson, in the county of Somerset, an academy by the name of Anson Academy, for the education of youth, and for the purpose of promoting religion and morality; and that James Dinsmore, John Moor, Bezer Bryant, William Haskell, James Collins, Daniel Steward, jun. Andrew

M'Faden, Levi H. Perkins, Joseph Moor, William W. Fuller, Lemuel Williams, Obed Wilson, David H. Raymond, Ward Spooner, Joel Fletcher, and their successors, ~~be, and they hereby~~ are incorporated into a body politic, by the name of the ~~Trustees of Anson Academy~~ **Association**; with power to prosecute and defend in all suits at law; to have a common seal, and to change the same; to make any by-laws for the management of their affairs, not repugnant to the laws of the State; to take, hold and possess any real or personal estate ~~the annual income whereof, shall not exceed three thousand dollars~~ to be so applied, as most effectually to promote the design of the institution; and to give and grant, and bargain and sell or lease the same; and all deeds or conveyances thereof, signed by the Treasurer of said Trustees, and duly executed and acknowledged, by direction of said Trustees, and under the seal of said corporation, shall be good and valid in law.

**Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1823, c. 201, § 1-A, additional.** Chapter 201 of the private and special laws of 1823 is amended by adding a new section 1-A to read as follows:

**§ 1-A. Name**

The name of the Trustees of Anson Academy shall be **Anson Academy Association**.

**Sec. 3. P. & S. L., 1823, c. 201, § 1-B, additional.** Chapter 201 of the private and special laws of 1823 is amended by adding a new section 1-B to read as follows:

**§ 1-B. Additional powers**

The corporation may establish, maintain and operate schools, give aid and assistance in the establishment, maintenance and operation of schools; establish, provide, support and pay for equipment, libraries, teaching aids and communications facilities to aid in education; establish, assist in establishing, aid and support museums, libraries, historical societies and depositories for historical and scientific documents and artifacts; provide, support and pay for seminars, conferences and lectures; all in the interest of assisting school administration and individual students, enriching the process of education and promoting better schools, school programs and education in the Towns of Anson, Embden, New Portland and Solon and other places in the State of Maine.

In order to implement such programs the association may solicit and accept funds and property through gifts, trusts, grants, dues, sales, fairs, entertainments and other activities; such property and income to be used for its corporate purposes.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the emergency preamble.