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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 101

S. P. 45 In Senate, January 9, 1973
Referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Joly of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Trustees, Power to Hold Property and Change of Name of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

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

- Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1827, c. CCCCXXXIX, § 1, repealed and replaced. Section 1 of chapter CCCCXXXIX of the private and special laws of 1827 is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:
- Sec. I. Persons incorporated as trustees; number fixed. That Caleb Fogg, Benjamin Burnham, Wilder B. Mack, Benjamin Jones, and Sullivan Bray, be, and they hereby are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the Trustees of the Maine Conference of the United Methodist Church, and they and their successors in office shall be and continue a body politic by that name forever: And the number of trustees shall be that number as fixed by the Maine Conference of the United Methodist Church, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum, but in the event a quorum is not present, those present are empowered to adjourn the meeting from time to time.
- Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1827, c. CCCCXXXIX, § 2, amended. The last sentence of section 2 of chapter CCCCXXXIX of the private and special laws of 1827, is amended to read as follows:

And the said Trustees shall be capable of having, holding and taking in fee simple, by gift, grant, devise or otherwise, any lands, tenements, or other estate, real or personal: Provided, That the net annual profits thereof shall not exceed six thousand dollars.

Sec. 3. Amendatory clause. Wherever in the statutes, either public or private and special, the words, "Methodist Episcopal Church" or "Methodist

Church" appear, they are hereby amended to read, "United Methodist Church."

Sec. 4. Repealer. All statutes, either public or private and special or resolves, inconsistent herewith are amended or repealed pro tanto.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is:

- I. Provide for the number of trustees of the Maine Conference of the United Methodist Church;
 - 2. Delete the limit of net annual profits; and
 - 3. Change the name to United Methodist Church.