

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 185

H. P. 152

House of Representatives, January 16, 1973

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

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Ross of Bath.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Board of Trustees of Independent Churches.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 13, § 3024, amended. Section 3024 of Title 13 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 159 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

§ 3024. Election of officers

The resident members shall, by ballot, elect a clerk, treasurer, a ~~business committee~~ **board of trustees** of not less than 3 members who are voters and such other officers as they may deem necessary.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 13, § 3025, amended. The first sentence of section 3025 of Title 13 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The clerk, treasurer and a majority of the ~~business committee~~ **board of trustees** of every independent local church incorporated under sections 3021 to 3024 shall prepare a certificate in form approved by the Attorney General setting forth the name of such church, the town or city where located and the number and names of its ~~business committee~~ **board of trustees**, and shall sign and make oath to it and shall file the same in the office of the Secretary of State.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 13, § 3026, amended. The last 2 sentences of section 3026 of Title 13 of the Revised Statutes are amended to read as follows:

When no provision is made by any vote or bylaw of the church for calling meetings, they shall be called by the ~~business committee~~ **board of trustees**

by posting notices of the time, place and purposes of said meeting, in the same manner and for the same time as is prescribed in section 3022. Meetings shall in the same manner, be called by said ~~committee~~ **board**, upon the written request of at least 6 members of the church qualified to vote.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to change the name "business committee" of an independent church to "board of trustees."