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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 373

H. P. 266

House of Representatives, January 24, 1973

Speaker laid before the House. On Motion of Mr. Emery of Rockland referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Bunker of Gouldsboro.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Converting Great Pond Plantation into the Town of Great Pond.

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

- Sec. 1. Town of Great Pond, incorporated. Great Pond Plantation, with the inhabitants therein, is hereby incorporated into a town by the name of Great Pond. The inhabitants of said town are hereby vested with the powers, priveleges and immunities which the inhabitants of towns within the State do or may enjoy. The town hereby created shall take the effects belonging to Great Pond Plantation and shall also assume all the obligations thereof.
- Sec. 2. First meeting, how called. Any justice of the peace in the County of Hancock may issue his warrant to any legal voter in the Plantation of Great Pond, directing him to notify the inhabitants to meet at a place specified in said warrant and at a time consistent with the normal annual meeting time in March, 1974, giving at least 7 days' notice therefor, for the choice of town officers and to transact such business as towns are authorized to do.
- Sec. 3. Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State. This Act shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters within the territory embraced within the limits of said proposed Town of Great Pond, voting by ballot at an election to be specially called and held for the purpose within 12 months of the effective date of sections 1 and 2 of this Act. The meeting shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, that the board of assessors in said proposed Town of Great Pond shall not be required to prepare for posting,

nor the plantation clerk to post, a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters, said board shall be in session on the day of election and on such additional days thereto as they may determine. The plantation clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of sections I and 2 of this Act to the following question: "Shall 'An Act Converting Great Pond Plantation into the Town of Great Pond,' passed by the 106th Legislature, be accepted?" The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. Upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting, sections I and 2 of this Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof at the annual meeting in March, 1974; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of sections I and 2 of this Act at said meeting equaled or exceeded 50% of the total number of the qualified voters within said territory.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the board of assessors of the Plantation of Great Pond, and due certificate shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the title.