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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, April 23, 1975

Reported by Senator O'Leary of Oxford from Committee on Natural Resources. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed under Joint Rules No. 18.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT to Facilitate the Incorporation of New Towns.**

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA § 685-A, sub-§ 4, 3rd ¶, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 569, § 10, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Any portion of a land use district which subsequently becomes an organized municipality or part of an organized municipality shall continue to be regulated by the Land Use Regulation Commission pursuant to this chapter until such time as the municipality, of which the regulated district is then a part, shall adopt land use plans and regulations not less protective of the existing natural, recreational or historic resources than those adopted by the commission. Any revisions or amendments to the adopted plan and regulation that are less protective than those in the adopted plan shall be submitted to the Land Use Regulation Commission for approval.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA § 685-A, sub-§ 4, last paragraph, as enacted by PL 1971, c. 457, § 5, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

Any municipality organized after September 23, 1971, may submit to the commission and receive the approval of the commission of the following:

- A. A comprehensive land use plan for such proposed city or town;
- B. Standards for determining land use district boundaries and uses permitted within such districts in such proposed city or town;
- C. A land use district boundary map for such proposed city or town;

D. Such other proposed regulations or standards as the commission deems to be necessary to achieve the purpose, intent and provisions of this chapter; and

E. Upon request of the municipality, the commission shall prepare such plans, maps, regulations and standards as it may deem necessary to meet minimum planning and zoning standards for its approval thereof.

Upon obtaining the foregoing approval, the city or town shall thereafter adopt, administer and enforce such approved plans, maps, regulations and standards.