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## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107TH LEGISLATURE

(Filing No. H-549)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " $\hat{H}$ " to H.P. 1612, L.D. 1893, Bill, "AN ACT to Authorize the Withdrawal of the Town of Nobleboro from the Damariscotta-Newcastle-Nobleboro Community School District, also known as the Great Salt Bay Community School District."

Amend said Bill in the Emergency preamble by striking out all of the 4th paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Whereas, withdrawal from said school district must be approved by a special act of the Legislature; and'

Further amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

- 'Sec. 1. Authorization. The inhabitants of the Town of Nobleboro are hereby authorized to withdraw from the Damariscotta-Newcastle-Nobleboro Community School District, also known as the Great Salt Bay Community School District, upon the terms that are contained in this Act.
- Sec. 2. Continued existence. The withdrawal of the Town of Nobleboro shall not be deemed to effect a dissolution of the Great Salt Bay Community School District and the trustees of the community school district shall file with the State Board of Education a return reflecting the withdrawal of Nobleboro from the original community school district and reflecting the removal from the board of trustees of the community school district/ the trustees representing the Town of Nobleboro. The original of the return shall be on

file in the commissioner's office and a copy of the return, manually signed by the Secretary of the Board of Education, shall be filed and retained in the office of the commissioner.

Sec. 3. Budget meetings. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the Town of Nobleboro is authorized to raise and appropriate school funds for elementary school purposes at a duly called special town meeting within 30 days after this Act is signed by the Governor.

Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the Great Salt Bay Community School District comprised of the Towns of Damariscotta and Newcastle is authorized to raise and appropriate school funds for operational and capital expenditures of the community school district at a duly called special budget meeting within 30 days after this Act is signed by the Governor.

- Sec. 4. Indebtedness. At the end of the budget year of the Great Salt Bay Community School District on June 30, 1975, there will be no indebtedness on the part of that community school district. The balance remaining on June 30, 1975 shall be used to pay off the following nonbudgeted items:
  - A. School bus reimbursement to the Town of Damariscotta in the amount of \$11,100;
  - B. Architectural fees due Allied Engineering in the amount of \$4,271.75; and
  - All ordinary and necessary expenses incurred to effectuate the withdrawal of Nobleboro from the community school district.

These moneys shall first be applied to the first item and if any balance remains, then to the 2nd item and if any balance remains, then to the 3rd item. These moneys shall be paid on or before June 30, 1975.

In the event that the balance is not sufficient to fully pay off these items, then the amount necessary to fully pay off these items shall be paid for by the Towns of Damariscotta, Newcastle and Nobleboro within 3 months from the effective date of this Act by making a payment to the Great Salt Bay Community School District comprised of the Towns of Damariscotta and Newcastle, the amount due in the following respective percentages:

Damariscotta - 46% of amount due

Newcastle - 32% of amount due

Nobleboro - 22% of amount due

The Great Salt Bay Community School District shall then pay off the balance due on these unbudgeted items.

- Sec. 5. Nobleboro School. The Town of Nobleboro shall assume the existing indebtedness due from the community school district for the Nobleboro School addition in the amount of \$4,140, together with accrued interest and shall release the community school district from said indebtedness.
- Sec. 6. Assets. The community school district shall transfer, release and assign all of its right, title and interest in and to the following assets to the Town of Jobleboro:

All school supplies and school equipment used by the community school district in the Nobleboro School building and the 2 school buses which were formerly the

property of the Town of Nobleboro.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect on June 30, 1975, except as otherwise provided herein.

## Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to clarify the bill which authorizes the withdrawal of the Town of Nobleboro from the Damariscotta-Newcastle-Nobleboro Community School District, also known as the Great Salt Bay Community School District.

Reported by the Committee on Education.

Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House. 5/30/75

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