

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 1899

H. P. 1623

House of Representatives, May 22, 1975

Approved for introduction by a Majority of the Committee on Reference of Bills pursuant to Joint Rule 10.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Rolde of York.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT** Extending the Time Limit During which School Budgets May be  
Adopted by Certain School Administrative Units.

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**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Legislature has previously, by the enactment of chapter 15 and chapter 185 of the public laws of 1975, extended the time during which school budgets may be adopted in order that school finance reform might be enacted; and

Whereas, this reform has recently been enacted; and

Whereas, an additional extension for the adoption of school budgets is necessary so that school administrative units may follow mandated procedures in adopting school budgets; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

20 MRSA § 3717, 2nd sentence, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 185, is amended to read:

The budget meeting shall be called following the enactment of the "School Finance Act of 1975" and shall be held no later than ~~May 31~~ June 14, 1975.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill provides additional time for school administrative units to call and hold budget meetings, as it is currently difficult or impossible for a number of school administrative units to call and hold their budget meetings by May 31st.