

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 454**

H. P. 362

House of Representatives, February 16, 1977

Referred to the Committee on Local and County Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Austin of Bingham.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT** Converting Caratunk Plantation into the Town of Caratunk.

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

**Sec. 1. Town of Caratunk, incorporated.** Caratunk Plantation, with the inhabitants therein, is hereby incorporated into a town by the name of Caratunk. The inhabitants of said town are hereby vested with the powers, privileges and immunities which the inhabitants of towns within the State do or may enjoy. The town hereby created shall take the effects belonging to Caratunk Plantation and shall also assume all the obligations thereof.

**Sec. 2. First meeting, how called.** The board of assessors of the plantation shall issue their warrant, in accordance with the general laws, for an annual meeting to be held, at a time consistent with the normal annual meeting time in 1977. Notification of such meeting shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State for determining the effective date of sections 1 and 3.

**Sec. 3. Legislative district.** Until the next legislative apportionment of Representatives, the Town of Caratunk shall remain in the same legislative district in which Caratunk Plantation is now classed.

**Sec. 4. Town required to be a member of the Maine Forestry District.** After the effective date of this Act, the Town of Caratunk shall be required to be a member of the Maine Forestry District.

**Sec. 5. 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 Caratunk, voting

by ballot at an election, to be specially called and held for that purpose concurrent with the regular 1977 election in November. This meeting shall be called, advertised and conducted according to Title 30, sections 2061 to 2065. The plantation clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of sections 1 and 3 of this Act to the following question: "Shall 'An Act converting Caratunk Plantation into the Town of Caratunk,' passed by the First Regular Session of the 108th 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 1 and 3 of this Act shall take effect for all purposes hereof at the annual meeting in 1978; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of sections 1 and 3 of this Act at said meeting equaled or exceeded 50% of the total number of votes cast in the plantation at the last gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the board of assessors of Caratunk Plantation 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.