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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 673

H. P. 556

House of Representatives, March 1, 1977

Referred to the Committee on Transportation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Jensen of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Concerning Board of Directors of Transit Districts.

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

Sec. 1. 30 MRSA § 4972, last sentence, as enacted by PL 1965, c. 488, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

A majority of the directors so appointed shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and action taken by a majority of those directors present at any meeting at which a quorum is in attendance shall be deemed to be the action of the full board of directors.

Sec. 2. 30 MRSA § 4981, as enacted by PL 1965, c. 488, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

The board of directors shall hold a public hearing prior to making any major changes in routes in the district or in the fare structure of the district.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to reduce the quorum requirement for meetings of transit district boards of directors from $\frac{2}{3}$ to a majority. In addition, the bill adds a requirement that the board of directors must hold a public hearing prior to major changes in routines or fare structures. This bill does not in any way affect the decision-making authority of the board of directors in this area.