

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1173

H. P. 976

House of Representatives, March 23, 1977

On motion of Mr. Lynch of Livermore Falls, referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Cox of Brewer.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

**AN ACT to Permit the Town of Orrington to Withdraw from School Union
91 and to Establish an Independent School Supervisory Unit.**

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

Sec. 1. Withdrawal from school union 91 authorized. The Town of Orrington, upon approval by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of the legal voters in that town present and voting at a special meeting, called and held in the manner provided by law for the calling and holding of town meetings, is authorized to withdraw from school union number 91.

Sec. 2. Employment of superintendent of schools. Upon such withdrawal, the superintending school committee of the Town of Orrington may employ a superintendent of schools without uniting with other administrative units for the purpose and shall have all the powers and privileges as provided for school supervisory units.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The adoption of this bill will allow for the more efficient operation of the educational system in the Town of Orrington. At present, the Town of Orrington is a member of school union 91 which consists of the Towns of Bucksport, Orland, Verona, Orrington and Prospect. The inefficiency of this type of school supervisory unit because of the diverse geographical demographic and physical characteristics is the primary reason for seeking the establishment of the Town of Orrington as an independent school supervisory unit.

It is impractical for the same superintendent to cover an area which includes students from part of Brewer, Penobscot County; Bucksport and Verona, Hancock County; Orrington and Prospect, Waldo County. For less money than is presently contributed by the Town of Orrington to school union 91, the Town of Orrington can maintain its own superintendent's office and in return have a full-time superintendent operating the school system in the Town of Orrington.