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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1963

H. P. 1902

Office of the Clerk of the House

The Committee on Local and County Government suggested. Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Masterman of Milo.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT

AN ACT Converting Beaver Cove Plantation into the Town of Beaver Cove.

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

- Sec. 1. Town of Beaver Cove incorporated. Beaver Cove Plantation, with its inhabitants, is incorporated into a town by the name of Beaver Cove. The inhabitants of that town are 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 Beaver Cove Plantation and shall also assume all of its obligations.
- Sec. 2. Removal from forestry district. The Town of Beaver Cove shall be removed from the Maine Forestry District and shall not be liable for any tax levied because of inclusion within that district.
- Sec. 3. Legislative district. Until the next legislative apportionment of Representatives, the Town of Beaver Cove shall remain in the same legislative district in which Beaver Cove Plantation is now classed.
- Sec. 4. 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 in March, 1979. Notification of this meeting shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State for determining the effective date of sections 1. 2 and 3.
- Sec. 5. Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters within the territory embraced within the limits of the proposed Town of Beaver Cove voting by ballot at an election to be specially called and held

for that purpose in March, 1979. This meeting shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the Revised Statutes, Title 30, sections 2061 and 2065. The plantation clerk shall prepare the required ballots on which he shall reduce the subject matter of sections 1, 2 and 3 of this Act to the following question:

"Shall 'AN ACT Converting Beaver Cove Plantation into the Town of Beaver Cove' passed by the second 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 question. Upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at that meeting, sections 1, 2 and 3 of this Act shall take effect for all of their purposes at the annual meeting in 1979, provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of sections 1, 2 and 3 of this Act at that meeting equals or exceeds 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 the Plantation of Beaver Cove and due certificate shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the Secretary of State.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to allow Beaver Cove Plantation to be converted to town form of government upon approval of the voters residing in Beaver Cove Plantation.