

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1062

H. P. 863

House of Representatives, March 6, 1979

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Kany of Waterville.

Cosponsor: Mrs. Mitchell of Vassalboro.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Provide for Voter Approval of School Construction Projects.

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

20 MRSA § 3471, sub-§ 2, ¶ E, as amended by PL 1977, c. 690, § 12, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

E. Prior to final approval by the State Board of Education, any school construction project shall receive a favorable vote in an election conducted in accordance with the following:

- (1) In a town or city where the responsibility for final adoption of the school budget is vested in a town or city council by municipal charter, or in a town meeting, the election shall be conducted in accordance with Title 30, sections 2061 to 2065.**
- (2) In any School Administrative District or vocational region the election shall be conducted in accordance with section 225.**
- (3) In any community school district, the election shall be conducted in accordance with Title 30, sections 2061 to 2065. The community school district's board of trustees shall:**

- (a) Issue a warrant specifying that the municipalities within the district place the school construction article on the ballot; and**
- (b) Prepare and furnish the required number of ballots for carrying out the election.**

- (4) The article submitted for a vote shall clearly indicate that the 5% or one mill local share of the total cost of the project and the entire additional operating costs of the new project during its first 2 years shall be borne by revenues raised by the local administrative unit.**

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require approval of any school construction in a local election prior to any final approval by the State Board of Education.