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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Kany of Waterville.

Cosponsors: Mr. Fitzgerald of Waterville, and Mr. Jacques of Waterville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Authorize Vocational-technical Institutes to Operate Outside the Specific Municipality Where They are Located.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, a bond issue passed by the Legislature in 1980 was designed to provide construction funds for new buildings for vocational-technical institutes; and

Whereas, one of the planned buildings would accommodate the industrial trades program for the Kennebec Valley Vocational-technical Institute; and

Whereas, the proposed location of the building is not in the City of Waterville but is within the general vicinity of that municipality; and

Whereas, existing law might be construed to prevent the location of programs and facilities for vocational-technical institutes outside of the specific municipalities listed in the law; and

Whereas, unless the law is amended, the intent of the Legislature in approving the 1980 bond issue will be frustrated and certain existing programs and facilities of other vocational-technical institutes may be jeopardized; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

20 MRSA § 2263, sub-§ 1, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 602, § 3, is amended to read:

The following vocational-technical institutes are established and shall be located within the general vicinity of the municipalities named in the following paragraphs:

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Under existing legislation the 6 vocational-technical institutes are established within specified municipalities. However, prior to the enactment of section 2263, several of these institutes had programs and facilities outside the specific municipalities. This bill would clarify the legislative intent to allow programs to continue outside the named municipalities and allow future programs within the general vicinity of the municipalities.