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STATE OF MAINE
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(Filing No. H-380)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "*A*" to H.P. 252, L.D. 292, Bill, "AN ACT to Remove the Town of Medford from the Maine Forestry District."

Amend the bill by striking out all of the title and inserting in its place the following:

'AN ACT to Remove the Towns of Medford, Osborn and Great Pond and Lakeville Plantation from the Maine Forestry District.'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §1201, 4th ¶, last sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1965, c. 226, §34, is amended to read:

~~Municipalities:--Osborn-Plantation;~~ Municipality: No. 33 Plantation.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §1201, 6th ¶, last sentence, as amended by PL 1977, c. 720, §2, is further amended to read:

~~Municipalities: Drew Plantation, Grand Falls Plantation, Lakeville Plantation;~~ Seboeis Plantation, Webster Plantation.

Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §1201, 7th ¶, 2nd sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1965, c. 226, §34, is amended to read:

Other townships: Harford's Point; Cove Point; All islands in Moosehead; ~~Medford;~~ Omeville.

Sec. 4. Removal from the Maine Forestry District. The Town of Great Pond shall be removed from the Maine Forestry District and shall not be liable for any tax levied because of inclusion within that district.

Sec. 5. Referendum. The legal voters within the towns and plantation affected by this Act shall vote on this Act as it relates to their town or plantation prior to April 1, 1982. The elections shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the Revised Statutes, Title 30, sections 2061 and 2065. Ballots shall be prepared containing the following question:

"Shall (Name of ~~Town~~ or ~~Plantation~~) be removed from the Maine Forestry District?"

The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the word "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This Act shall be approved by a majority of the legal voters voting at the election, provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of the question equaled or exceeded 50% of the total number of votes cast in the ^{town or} plantation for Governor at the last gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the appropriate municipal officials and certified to the Secretary of State.

Sec. 6. Effective date. Each of the sections 1 to 4 of this Act \leftarrow shall separately become effective upon a majority vote of the voters of the town ^{or plantation} concerned pursuant to section 5 of this Act.

Fiscal Note

Withdrawal of these 4 localities from the Maine Forestry District will result in a reapportionment of the tax among the towns remaining in the district.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to permit the ~~towns~~ of Medford, Osborn, Great Pond and Lakeville Plantation to withdraw from the Maine Forest District upon majority vote.'

Reported by the Committee on Taxation.
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