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STATE OF MAINE  
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 220, L.D. 298, Bill, "AN ACT  
to Make Corrections and Clarifications in the Education Laws."

Amend the bill by inserting after section 7 the following:

'Sec. 8. 20 MRSA §302, 6th ¶, last sentence is amended to  
read:

In case any member of the board of school directors shall ~~remove  
from the municipality that he represents or be absent from said  
municipality for more than 90 days~~ change his residency from the  
municipality which he represents, a vacancy shall be declared to  
exist by the board of school directors and the selectmen or  
municipal officers shall thereafter choose another director as  
provided.

Sec. 9. 20 MRSA §302, 6th ¶, as amended by PL 1973, c. 783,  
§7-B is further amended by adding at the end a new sentence to  
read:

Evidence that an individual is registered to vote in a municipality  
is prima facie evidence of that individual's residency.'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 9 the following:

'Sec. 10. 20 MRSA §373, sub-§2, ¶A, as repealed and replaced by PL 1979, c. 691, §4 is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

A. A vacancy, whether caused by death, by resignation or by a member having changed his residence from the town which he represents, shall be filled by the school committee of the town in which the vacancy occurs. Evidence that an individual is registered to vote in a municipality is prima facie evidence of that individual's residency.'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 10 the following:

'Sec. 11. 20 MRSA §472, 6th sentence, as amended by PL 1967, c. 425, §19, is repealed and the following enacted in its place: In case any member of the <—————> school committee establishes a new residency outside the town, a vacancy shall be declared to exist and the remaining members shall within 30 days thereafter choose another member as provided.'

Sec. 12. 20 MRSA §472, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 783, §17, is further amended by adding after the 6th sentence a new sentence to read:

Evidence that an individual is registered to vote in a municipality is prima facie evidence of that individual's residency.'

Further amend the bill by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.

Statement of Fact

This amendment clarifies the definition of residency for school committee members and members of boards of directors.

Filed by Mr. Connolly of Portland.  
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