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HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 605, L.D. 682, Bill, "AN ACT to Clarify Certain Provisions of Law Relating to the Method of Voting for School Committee Members of the Wells-Ogunquit Community School District."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. P&SL 1979, c. 45, §6, 7th paragraph, last sentence is amended to read:

The duties of the trustees of the community school district school committee in the organization and management of the affairs of the district in accordance with the Revised Statutes, Title 20, shall be carried out by a school committee consisting of 6 members, 3 from each town, to be appointed ~~and-elected-as-are-trustees under-the-statute~~ by the municipal officers of each municipality, provided that each municipality shall have a preferential election, advisory in nature, in conjunction with annual municipal elections, to guide the municipal officers in their appointment of the school committee members.

Sec. 2. P&SL 1979, c. 45, §6, 7th paragraph is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read:
Four members of the school committee shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 3. P&SL 1979, c. 45, §6, 8th paragraph is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

The method of voting by members of the school committee shall be in accordance with the following formula: Fifty-five percent of the voting power shall be vested in the 3 school committee members from the Town of Wells and 45% of the voting power shall be vested in the 3 school committee members from the Town of Ogunquit.

Sec. 4. Jurisdiction. Members serving on the effective date of this Act shall continue in office and shall be appointed by the municipal officers of the respective municipality for the remainder of the terms in which they currently serve. Any vacancy existing after the effective date of this Act shall be filled in the manner provided for appointment by the municipal officers of the respective municipalities.

Statement of Fact

This amendment provides for appointment of the Wells-Ogunquit Community School District committee members, but the appointments are to be based on an advisory election. This amendment also provides that the votes of the Wells school committee members will carry more weight than the votes of the Ogunquit members.

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