

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 837

H. P. 712

House of Representatives, February 12, 1981

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Kilcoyne of Gardiner.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend the Charter of the Gardiner Water District.

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

P&SL 1903, c. 82, § 5, as amended by P&SL 1979, c. 40, §§ 2-4, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Section 5. All the affairs of the water district shall be managed by a board of trustees composed of 3 members to be chosen by the municipal officers of the City of Gardiner, but no member of the city council shall, during the term for which he is elected, be chosen one of the board of trustees. As soon as convenient after the members of the board have been chosen, the trustees shall hold a meeting at the city rooms in the City of Gardiner and organize, by the election of a president and clerk, adopt a corporate seal and, when necessary, may choose a treasurer and all other needful officers and agents, for the proper conduct and management of the affairs of the district. At the first meeting they shall determine, by lot, the term of office of each trustee so that one shall serve for one year, one for 2 years and one for 3 years; and whenever the term of office of a trustee expires, the municipal officers of the City of Gardiner shall appoint a successor to serve the full term of 3 years; and in case any other vacancy arises it shall be filled in like manner for the unexpired term. They may also ordain and establish such bylaws as are necessary for their own convenience and the proper management of the affairs of the district. The term of office of trustees shall begin on the first Monday of April. The trustees may procure an office and incur such expenses as may be necessary.

Each member shall receive, in full compensation for his services, an allowance of \$500 per year.

The trustees shall, on or before the deadline set by the Public Utilities Commission for the filing of the district's annual report to the Public Utilities Commission, make and file with the municipal officers of the City of Gardiner a report of their doings as trustees of the water district and a statement of the receipts and disbursements of the water district during the year ending December 31st next preceding, and this shall be deemed the fiscal year of the water district.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to increase the allowance per year for each trustee from \$100 to \$500.