

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,
2 these facts create an emergency within the meaning of
3 the Constitution of Maine and require the following
4 legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-
5 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
6 therefore,

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

9 **Sec. 1. Deorganization of Plantation 21.**

10 Plantation 21 in Washington County is hereby
11 deorganized, provided that the corporate existence,
12 powers, duties and liabilities of the plantation
13 shall survive for the purposes of prosecuting and
14 defending all pending suits to which the plantation
15 is, or may be, a party and all needful process grow-
16 ing out of the same, including provisions for the
17 payment of all or any judgments or debts which may be
18 rendered against the plantation or exist in favor of
19 any creditor.

20 **Sec. 2. Unexpended school funds.** The treasurer

21 of the plantation or such other person as may have
22 custody of the funds of the plantation shall pay to
23 the Treasurer of State all unexpended school funds,
24 which school funds together with the credits due the
25 plantation for school purposes are to be used by the
26 State Tax Assessor to settle any school obligations
27 contracted by the plantation previous to
28 deorganization. Any unexpended school funds remain-
29 ing in the hands of the Treasurer of State after all
30 the obligations have been met shall be added to the
31 Unorganized Territory School and Capital Working
32 Funds as provided in the Maine Revised Statutes,
33 Title 20-A, section 3351.

34 **Sec. 3. Referendum; certificate to Secretary of**
35 **State.** The board of assessors of the plantation
36 shall submit this Act to the legal voters within the
37 territory embraced within the limits of Plantation
38 21, by ballot at a special election to be held on or
39 before the regular March, 1983, plantation meeting.
40 This election shall be called, advertised and con-
41 ducted according to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title
42 30, sections 2061 and 2065. The plantation clerk
43 shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall

1 reduce the subject matter of this Act to the follow-
2 ing question:

3 "Shall Plantation 21 be deorganized?"

4 The voters shall indicate by a cross or check
5 mark placed against the word "Yes" or "No" their
6 opinion of the same. The Act shall be approved by a
7 majority of the legal voters voting at the special
8 election, provided that the total number of votes
9 cast for and against the acceptance of this Act at
10 the election equaled or exceeded 50% of the total
11 number of votes cast in the plantation for Governor
12 at the last gubernatorial election.

13 The result of the vote shall be declared by the
14 board of assessors of Plantation 21 and due certifi-
15 cate shall be filed by the plantation clerk with the
16 Secretary of State within 10 days from the date of
17 that vote.

18 Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited
19 in the preamble, section 3 shall take effect when
20 approved. Sections 1 and 2 shall take effect on
21 March 31, 1983, if approved by a majority of the
22 legal voters at the special election.

23 STATEMENT OF FACT

24 This new draft replaces the original bill and
25 makes certain language corrections, corrects a refer-
26 ence to a repealed statute, provides timely notifica-
27 tion of the vote to the Secretary of State and cor-
28 rects the effective date.

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