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1 SECOND REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 1854

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7 S.P. 670

In Senate, January 4, 1984

8 Reference to the Committee on Local and County Government. Ordered
9 printed and sent down for concurrence.

10 Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint
Rule 26.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator McBreairty of Aroostook.

11 Cosponsor: Representative Hall of Sangerville.

12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FOUR
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17 AN ACT to Allow Plantations to Determine
18 When to Hold Their Annual Meetings.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 30 MRSA §5607, as amended by PL 1979, c. 155, is
23 further amended to read:

24 §5607. Annual meeting

25 Organized plantations shall hold ~~their~~ an annual
26 meeting ~~in March~~ and choose a clerk, 3 assessors,
27 treasurer, collector of taxes, constable, school com-
28 mittee, one or more surveyors of lumber and 2 or more
29 fence-viewers. The provisions of section 2060, sub-
30 section 5, relating to the terms of office and elec-
31 tion of assessors shall apply to the terms of office
32 and election of assessors of organized plantations.
33 When money is raised for repair of ways and bridges,
34 the assessors of such plantation shall choose one or
35 more road commissioners as selectmen of towns do.

1 STATEMENT OF FACT

2 The purpose of this bill is to remove the current
3 statutory requirement that plantations must hold
4 their annual meeting in March. This requirement pre-
5 vents plantations from changing their fiscal years so
6 that the plantation budget may be considered at the
7 same time as the school budget. The present law also
8 prevents plantations from changing their fiscal years
9 to make them compatible with the state's fiscal year.

10 This bill allows each plantation to establish its
11 own annual meeting date by removing the requirement
12 that these meetings be held in March.

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