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(EMERGENCY)

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 1866

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H.P. 1421

House of Representatives, January 10, 1984

Submitted by the Department of Educational and Cultural Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

Reference to the Committee on Education is suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Mills of Woodstock.

Cosponsor: Senator Erwin of Oxford.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to Include the Towns of  
Gilead and Upton within Vocational  
Region 9, Northern Oxford County.

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Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, Upton was not originally in a vocational region because of its membership in an interstate compact with New Hampshire for the delivery of educational services to its students; and

Whereas, Gilead was inadvertently omitted from inclusion in a vocational region when the regions were formed in 1974; and

Whereas, the students of Gilead and Upton attend schools operated by administrative units within Vocational Region 9; and

1           Whereas, it is timely and appropriate for Gilead  
2 and Upton to be made a part of Vocational Region 9;  
3 and

4           Whereas, the budget for Vocational Region 9 has  
5 to be adopted prior to July 1, 1984, for fiscal year  
6 1985; and

7           Whereas, the voters of Gilead and Upton would not  
8 be able to vote on the 1984 budget unless this bill  
9 is passed as emergency legislation; and

10           Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,  
11 these facts create an emergency within the meaning of  
12 the Constitution of Maine and require the following  
13 legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-  
14 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,  
15 therefore,

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

18           Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §8451, sub-§2, ¶H, as enacted  
19 by PL 1981, c. 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read:

20           H. Region 9. NORTHERN OXFORD COUNTY. Units lo-  
21 cated in this area shall include: Gilead;  
22 Hanover; Peru; Rumford; Upton, so long as it  
23 sends its secondary students to schools operated  
24 by administrative units within the region; School  
25 Administrative District No. 21-Canton, Carthage  
26 and Dixfield; School Administrative District No.  
27 43-Byron, Mexico and Roxbury; School Administra-  
28 tive District No. 44-Andover, Bethel, Greenwood,  
29 Newry and Woodstock.

30           Sec. 2. State subsidy; computation. For the  
31 fiscal year 1985, Gilead and Upton shall receive  
32 state subsidy for vocational education to be computed  
33 as if they were part of Vocational Region 9 in the  
34 school year 1982-83.

35           Emergency clause. In view of the emergency  
36 cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect  
37 when approved.

1 STATEMENT OF FACT

2 The reasons for adding Gilead and Upton to North-  
3 ern Oxford Vocational Region #9 are set forth in the  
4 emergency preamble.

5 The immediate phase-in of Gilead and Upton in the  
6 school funding formula is appropriate since their  
7 omission from the region was not caused by action on  
8 their part, and the other units had the benefit of  
9 the Uniform Property Tax method of sharing education-  
10 al costs when the region was formed.

11 This bill results in approximately \$2,600 in ad-  
12 ditional state aid starting in fiscal year 1985.

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