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L.D. 2068

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STATE OF MAINE  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 759,  
L.D. 2068, Bill, "AN ACT Creating the Rangeley Water  
District."

Amend the bill by striking out all of the emer-  
gency preamble.

Further amend the bill in section 8, by striking  
out all of the first paragraph (page 6, lines 3 to 30  
in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 8. Board of trustees; election; compensa-  
tion. All the affairs of the district shall be man-  
aged by an elected board of trustees composed of 5  
members of the legal voters of the district; 3 from  
the Town of Rangeley, one from Sandy River Plantation  
and one from Rangeley Plantation. Except for the  
initial trustees, the trustees shall be elected at  
the annual town meetings in March for 3-year terms.  
The initial trustees shall be elected at a special  
district meeting called by the municipal officers of  
the 3 towns after approval of the referendum pursuant  
to section 19. The voters of the district from the  
Town of Rangeley shall elect 3 initial trustees; one  
for a term expiring at the following March town meet-  
ing, one for a term expiring a year later and one for  
a term expiring 2 years later. The voters of the  
district from Sandy River Plantation shall elect one  
initial trustee for a term expiring at the following  
March town meeting. The voters of the district from  
Rangeley Plantation shall elect one initial trustee  
for a term expiring at the following March town meet-  
ing. Elections shall be held in accordance with the  
requirements for municipal elections. In case any  
other vacancy arises, it shall be filled by an inter-  
im appointment ending at the following March town  
meeting by the appropriate municipal officers, fol-

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1 lowed by election to fill the unexpired term, if any.  
2 When any trustee ceases to be a resident of the mu-  
3 nicipality from which he was elected or appointed, he  
4 vacates the office of trustee.'

5 Further amend the bill in section 8, in the last  
6 paragraph, in the first line (page 6, line 31 in  
7 L.D.) by striking out the word "trustee" and insert-  
8 ing in its place the word 'trustees'

9 Further amend the bill by striking out all of  
10 section 13.

11 Further amend the bill in section 18, in the 8th  
12 line (page 13, line 30 in L.D.) by inserting after  
13 the words "Rangeley Water Company" the following: ',  
14 or to file a petition pursuant to section 12 for tak-  
15 ing the same within 2 years after approval of cre-  
16 ation of the district'

17 Further amend the bill in section 19, in the  
18 first 2 lines (page 13, lines 32 and 33 in L.D.) by  
19 striking out the following: "Sec. 19. Acceptance  
20 subject to referendum; emergency." and inserting in  
21 its place the following: 'Sec. 19. Acceptance sub-  
22 ject to referendum; effective date.'

23 Further amend the bill in section 19, in the 5th  
24 and 6th lines (page 13, lines 36 and 37 in L.D.) by  
25 striking out the following: "the purpose within 3  
26 months of passage of this Act" and inserting in its  
27 place the following: 'that purpose on or before De-  
28 cember 31, 1984'

29 Further amend the bill in section 19, by insert-  
30 ing at the end the following:

31 'This Act shall take effect for all the purposes  
32 thereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority  
33 of the legal voters within the district voting at the  
34 special election held in each municipality and  
35 plantation. Failure of approval by the necessary ma-

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1 jority of voters at any such election shall not pre-  
2 vent a subsequent election or elections to be held  
3 for that purpose within the time limitation of sec-  
4 tion 18.'

5 Further amend the bill by striking out all of the  
6 last paragraph before the statement of fact (page 14,  
7 lines 22 to 31 in L.D.)

8 Further amend the bill by renumbering the sec-  
9 tions to read consecutively.

10 STATEMENT OF FACT

11 The amendment requires election of the initial  
12 trustees and sets a deadline of December 31, 1984,  
13 for approval of the referendum to form the district.  
14 The tax exemption of the original bill is deleted be-  
15 cause property tax law, the Revised Statutes, Title  
16 36, section 651, subsection 1, paragraph D, provides  
17 that the property of any public municipal corporation  
18 appropriated to public use is exempt from taxation  
19 within the confines of the corporation. The amend-  
20 ment also removes the emergency preamble and emergen-  
21 cy clause.

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