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## (New Draft of H.P. 134, L.D. 175) FIRST REGULAR SESSION

### ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

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Rockland. Cosponsored by Representatives SMALL of Bath, BOST
of Orono and Senator BRAWN of Knox.

#### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN

1 2 3	AN ACT Relating to a Vocational Region as Defined by Law.
4 5	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
6 7	<pre>Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA \$1, sub-\$26, as enacted by PI 1981, c. 693, \$\$5 and 8, is amended to read:</pre>
8	26. School administrative unit. "School admin-
9	istrative unit" means the state-approved unit of
10	school administration and includes a municipal school
11	unit, school administrative district, community
12	school district or any other municipal or quasi-mu-
13	nicipal corporation responsible for operating or con-
14	structing public schools, except that it shall not
15	include a vocational region.

- Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §8301, sub-§5, as amended by
  PL 1983, c. 485, §26, is further amended to read:
- 5. Vocational region. A vocational region is a quasi-municipal corporation established by the Legis-lature for the delivery of vocational programs which is comprised of all the school administrative units within the geographical boundaries established set forth in section 8451. A region shall be governed by a cooperative board formed and operating in accordance with section-8452 this chapter.
- 11 Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §8457, sub-\$1, as amended by 12 PL 1985, c. 797, \$43, is further amended to read:
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  1. Duties. A cooperative board shall have all
  14 the rights and duties of a school board as provided
  15 in section 1001, subsections 1 to-8, 2, 4 to 7, 11-A
  16 and 12; section 1002; section 1256, subsections 1, 2
  17 and 4 to 7; section 1257; sections 1313 to 1315; section 2501; section 4801; section 13201; and section
  19 13202.
- 20 Sec. 4. 20-A MRSA §8465, sub-§1, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read:
- A. The board shall call a regional referendum using the procedures set forth in sections 1351 to 1354. References in this section to laws pertaining to "school administrative district" and "board of directors" means vocational region and cooperative board, respectively;
- 28 Sec. 5. 20-A MRSA §15901, sub-§§6, 7 and 8 are 29 enacted to read:
- 6. School administrative unit. "School administrative unit" means a school administrative unit as defined by section 1, subsection 26 and a vocational region as defined by section 8301, subsection 5, except that in section 15907, the reference to "unit" or "school administrative unit" means the units within the vocational regions.
- 37 7. School board. "School board" means a school board as defined in section 1, subsection 28 and the cooperative board of a vocational region.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7	8. Superintendent. "Superintendent" means a superintendent as defined by section 1, subsection 39, and the director of a vocational region, if that person had been appointed to serve as administrative officer of the region, or the superintendent who has been appointed to serve as ex officio administrative officer.
8 9	<pre>Sec. 6. 20-A MRSA \$15904, sub-\$2, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 693, \$\$5 and 8, is amended to read:</pre>
10 11 12 13	2. School administrative districts. In a school administrative district or-vocational-region the vote shall be conducted in accordance with sections 1351 to 1354.
14 15	Sec. 7. 20-A MRSA §15904, sub-§5 is enacted to read:
16 17 18 19 20 21	5. Vocational regions. In a vocational region, the vote shall be conducted in accordance with sections 1351 to 1354 and section 8465. References in sections 1351 to 1354 to school administrative unit and board of directors means "vocational region" and "cooperative board," respectively.
22	STATEMENT OF FACT
23 24 25	This new draft clarifies the definition and legal status of vocational regions to eliminate any question concerning their bonding authority and school

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