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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Original bill sponsored by Representative CARTER of
Winslow. Cosponsored by Representatives PARENT of Benton,
BRAGG of Sidney and JACQUES of Waterville.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Terms of Office for
Trustees of the Kennebec Water
District.

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5 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
6 follows:

7 Sec. 1. P&SL 1899, c. 200, §5, as amended by
8 P&SL 1981, c. 41, §1, is repealed and the following
9 enacted in its place:

10 Sec. 5. Trustees. All the affairs of the water
11 district shall be managed by a board of trustees com-
12 posed of 7 members. Two of the trustees shall be
13 chosen by the municipal officers of Waterville, 2 by
14 the municipal officers of Fairfield, 2 by the municipi-
15 pal officers of Winslow and one shall be appointed by

1 the county commissioners of Kennebec County from out-
2 side the district. As soon as convenient after the
3 members of the board have been chosen, the trustees
4 shall hold a meeting at the city rooms in the City of
5 Waterville and organize by the election of a presi-
6 dent and clerk, adopt a corporate seal and, when nec-
7 cessary, may choose a treasurer and all other neces-
8 sary officers and agents for the proper conduct and
9 management of the affairs of the district. Whenever
10 the term of office of a trustee expires, the body
11 which appointed the trustee shall appoint a successor
12 to serve a full term of 3 years; and, in case any
13 other vacancy arises, it shall be filled in like man-
14 ner for the unexpired term. The trustees may also
15 ordain and establish such bylaws as necessary for
16 their convenience and the proper management of the
17 district's affairs. The trustees may procure an of-
18 fice and incur such expenses as may be necessary.

19 The trustees shall receive as compensation for
20 their services \$20 for each meeting attended and re-
21 imbursement for travel and expenses up to a maximum
22 of \$500 per year, unless changed in accordance with
23 the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35, chapter 262.

24 The term of office for trustees shall be 3 years,
25 beginning on the first Monday in April as follows:
26 The term of the trustee appointed by the county com-
27 missioners shall begin in April 1988 and every 3
28 years thereafter; the terms of one trustee from
29 Waterville, one from Fairfield and one from Winslow
30 shall begin in April 1989 and every 3 years thereaf-
31 ter; and the terms of one trustee from Waterville,
32 one from Fairfield and one from Winslow shall begin
33 in April 1990 and every 3 years thereafter. No per-
34 son may serve more than 2 full terms consecutively
35 without a break in service before reappointment.

36 **Sec. 2. Transition clause.** The term of the
37 trustee presently appointed by the county commis-
38 sioners and scheduled to expire in 1988 is unchanged; the
39 term of the trustee from Fairfield scheduled to ex-
40 pire in 1989 is unchanged; the term of the trustee
41 from Winslow scheduled to expire in 1990 is un-
42 changed; the term of the trustee from Winslow sched-
43 uled to expire in 1991 is changed to expire in 1989;
44 the term of the trustee from Waterville scheduled to

1 expire in 1992 is changed to expire in 1989; the term
2 of the trustee from Fairfield scheduled to expire in
3 1993 is changed to expire in 1990; and the term of
4 the trustee from Waterville scheduled to expire in
5 1994 is changed to expire in 1990.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

7 The new draft shortens the terms of the trustees
8 from 7 years to 3 years and provides a schedule for
9 the immediate transitions to the new terms. It also
10 limits trustees to 2 consecutive terms.

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