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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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NO. 1843

H.P. 1349 House of Representatives, June 12, 1987
Reported by Representative RICHARD from the Committee on
Utilities and printed under Joint Rule 2.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Original bill sponsored by Representative JACKSON of
Harrison. Cosponsored by Senator TWITCHELL of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Concerning the Harrison Water
District.

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

6 Sec. 1. P&SL 1969, c. 91, §1 is repealed and the
7 following enacted in its place:

8 Sec. 1. Territorial limits; corporate name and
9 purpose. The inhabitants of and the territory within
10 the Town of Harrison in the County of Cumberland,
11 and that part of the Town of Bridgton, more commonly
12 known as North Bridgton, in the County of Cumberland,
13 as is described: All that part of the towns which
14 lies north of North Latitude 44° -04' - 00", east of
15 West Longitude 70-43'-00", south of North Latitude

1 44° -08' - 00" and west of West Longitude 70° -38' -
2 00" as shown on the United States Army Corps of Engi-
3 neers 15 minute series topographic map entitled "Nor-
4 way, Me." constitutes a body politic and corporate
5 under the name of the "Harrison Water District" for
6 the purpose of supplying the district and the inhabi-
7 tants of the district with pure water for domestic,
8 commercial, sanitary, industrial, agricultural and
9 municipal purposes.

10 The authority granted under this chapter to serve
11 that part of the Town of Bridgton described in this
12 chapter shall supersede the authority granted the
13 Bridgton Water District to serve that area.

14 **Sec. 2.** P&SL 1969, c. 91, §7, first 3 paragraphs
15 are repealed and the following enacted in their
16 place:

17 Sec. 7. Trustees; how elected; meetings; offi-
18 cers. All the affairs of the district shall be man-
19 aged by a board of trustees composed of 5 members,
20 all of whom shall be residents of the district,
21 elected in accordance with this section. The terms
22 of the trustees shall be 3 years.

23 The candidates for office shall obtain nomination
24 papers from the clerk of the Town of Harrison, who is
25 appointed especially to act as clerk in this in-
26 stance. The form of the nomination papers and the
27 form of the ballot shall be as provided. The only
28 eligibility requirement for the office of trustee of
29 the district shall be residents within the district
30 and eligible to vote. Trustees shall be elected as
31 provided in an annual election to be held on the 3rd
32 Monday of March in each year.

33 **Sec. 3.** P&SL 1969, c. 91, §7, next to last para-
34 graph, last sentence is amended to read:

35 Each trustee shall receive for his services, in what-
36 ever capacity, compensation as determined by said the
37 board, but said the compensation shall not exceed
38 \$200 \$400 per annum until the compensation of the
39 trustees is changed with approval of the municipal
40 officers in accordance with the Maine Revised Stat-
41 utes, Title 35-A, chapter 63.

1 Sec. 4. P&SL 1969, c. 91, §§10 and 11 are re-
2 pealed.

3 Sec. 5. P&SL 1969, c. 91, §16, as amended by
4 P&SL 1969, c. 214, is repealed.

5 Sec. 6. Referendum; effective date. The trust-
6 ees serving on the effective date of section 2 of
7 this Act may complete their terms. Replacement shall
8 be in accordance with section 2. Section 1 shall be
9 submitted to the legal voters of Harrison and the le-
10 gal voters of the district within North Bridgton at a
11 special election or elections to be called and held
12 for the purpose on or before December 31, 1989. The
13 elections shall be called by the municipal officers
14 of the Towns of Harrison and Bridgton and shall be
15 held at the regular voting places. The dates of the
16 elections shall be determined by the municipal offi-
17 cers, but the first election in the district shall
18 not be later than June 1, 1988. The special elec-
19 tions shall be called, advertised and conducted ac-
20 cording to the law relating to municipal elections;
21 except that the board of registration shall not be
22 required to prepare nor the town clerks to post a new
23 list of voters, and for this purpose the board of
24 registration shall be in session on the 3 working
25 days next preceding the elections, the first and 2nd
26 days to be devoted to registration of voters and the
27 last day to enable the board to verify the correc-
28 tions of the lists and to complete and close their
29 records of the session. The town clerks shall reduce
30 the subject matter of this Act to the following ques-
31 tion:

32 "Shall the boundaries of the Harrison Water Dis-
33 trict be straightened and extended?"

34 The voters shall indicate by a cross (X) or check
35 mark (✓) placed against the word "Yes" or "No" their
36 opinion of the same.

37 Section 1 of this Act shall take effect for all
38 the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance
39 by a majority of the legal voters voting at the elec-
40 tions, but only if the total number of votes cast for
41 and against the acceptance of this Act in the special
42 elections equals or exceeds 10% of the registered

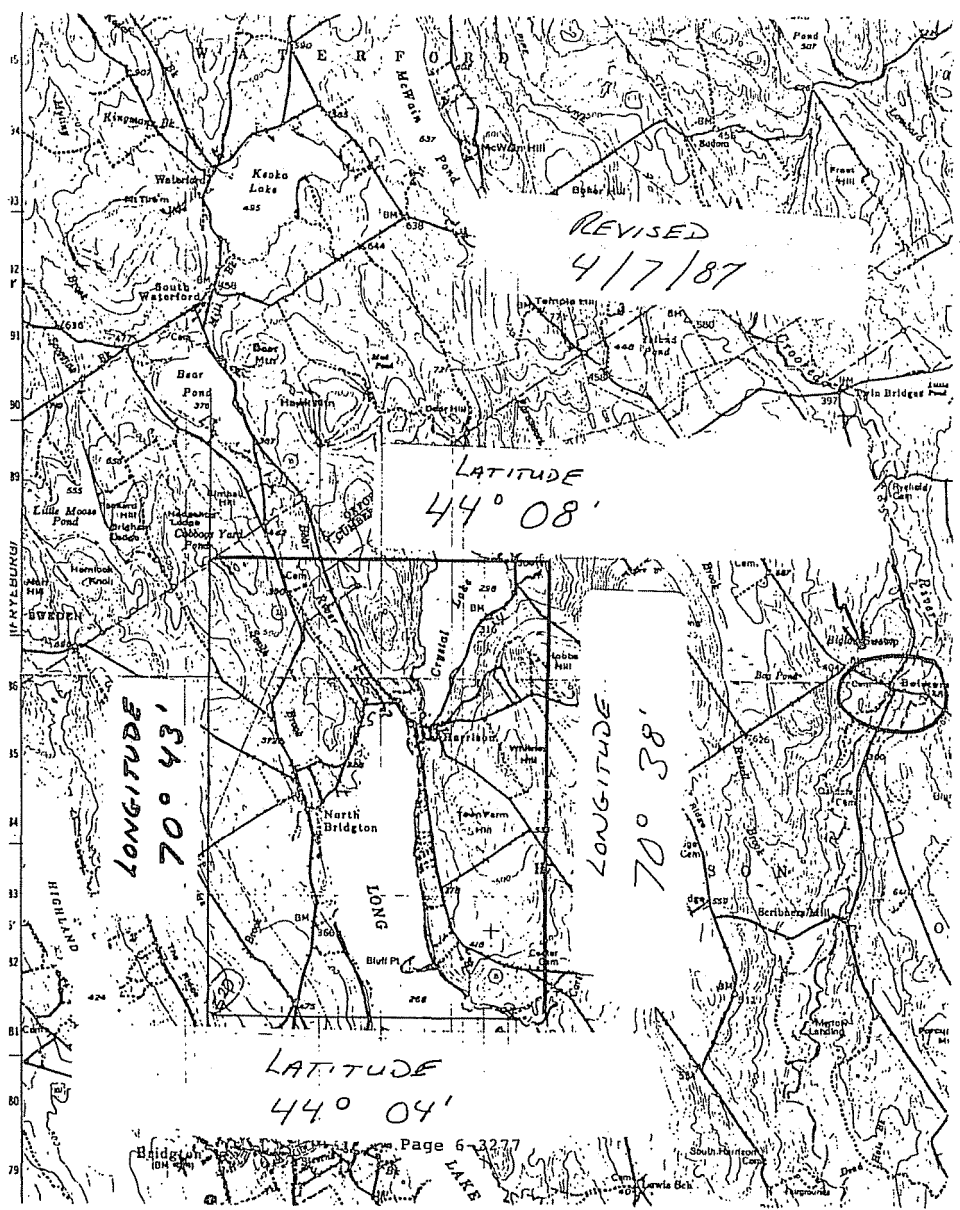
1 voters of the Town of Harrison and 10% of the regis-
2 tered voters of the district within North Bridgton,
3 but failure of approval by the necessary or percent-
4 age of voters shall not prevent subsequent elections.

5 The results of the elections shall be declared by
6 the municipal officers of the towns and due certifi-
7 cates thereof shall be filed by the town clerks with
8 the Secretary of State.

1 STATEMENT OF FACT

2 The new draft expands the boundaries of the Har-
3 rison Water District in both Harrison and North
4 Bridgton, as shown in the topographic map, but in-
5 cludes less of Harrison than the original bill. It
6 conforms the trustees pay provision of the Maine Re-
7 vised Statutes, Title 35-A, and it adds a local ref-
8 erendum for expansion of the district boundaries.

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LATITUDE
44° 08'

LONGITUDE
70° 43'

LONGITUDE
70° 38'

LATITUDE
44° 04'