

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative WEBSTER of Cape Elizabeth.

Cosponsored by Representative MACOMBER of South Portland.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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1 AN ACT Relative to the Union of the Trustees of  
2 the Maine Annual Conference of the United  
3 Methodist Church and the Trustees of the New  
4 Hampshire Annual Conference of the United  
5 Methodist Church.  
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7 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
8 follows:

9 Sec. 1. Union of conferences. The Trustees of

1 the Maine Annual Conference of the United Methodist  
2 Church, a corporation created by an Act of the  
3 Legislature of the State of Maine, and the Trustees  
4 of the New Hampshire Annual Conference of the United  
5 Methodist Church, a corporation created by an Act of  
6 the Legislature of the State of New Hampshire, shall  
7 be united and made one corporate body bearing the name  
8 "Trustees of the Northern New England Annual  
9 Conference of the United Methodist Church." The  
10 united trustees shall be incorporated under an Act of  
11 the Legislature of the State of New Hampshire.

12       **Sec. 2. Property.** The Trustees of the Northern  
13 New England Annual Conference of the United Methodist  
14 Church shall succeed to and hold all property and  
15 powers formerly vested in the Trustees of the Maine  
16 Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church and  
17 any other property or powers conferred to the trustees  
18 of the Northern New England Annual Conference of the  
19 United Methodist Church by any other jurisdiction.

20       **Sec. 3. Transfers.** Any gift, devise, bequest  
21 or other transfer of property of any kind made to the  
22 Maine Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church  
23 or the Trustees of the Maine Annual Conference of the  
24 United Methodist Church, at any time heretofore or  
25 hereafter shall be deemed, after the effective date of  
26 this Act, to have been made to the Trustees of the  
27 Northern New England Annual Conference of the United  
28 Methodist Church.

29       **Sec. 4. Local Maine churches.** Trustees of  
30 local churches in the State shall continue to become  
31 corporations automatically without further action on  
32 their part, pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes,  
33 Title 13, section 2982.

34       **Sec. 5. Acceptance of union.** The corporations  
35 to be united shall continue their present  
36 organizations until the union shall have been accepted  
37 by each corporation at a meeting duly called and held  
38 for that purpose. This Act shall not take effect  
39 until the union is accepted. If the union is accepted  
40 by both of the original corporations, a first meeting  
41 of the new corporation shall be held and at

1 that meeting the organization of the new corporation  
2 shall be completed. When the new corporation is fully  
3 organized and has received all property of the  
4 original corporations, including all trust funds, the  
5 powers given the Trustees of the Maine Annual  
6 Conference of the United Methodist Church, by prior  
7 Acts of the Legislature of the State, shall thereupon  
8 cease.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

10 This bill follows the historical practice of  
11 recording important changes in the organization of the  
12 Trustees of the Maine Annual Conference of the United  
13 Methodist Church in the private and special laws of  
14 the State of Maine. The trustees of the Maine and New  
15 Hampshire United Methodist conferences are being  
16 united into one conference, incorporated in and under  
17 the laws of the State of New Hampshire. It is  
18 important that the historical trail of legislative  
19 Acts, relating to the Maine corporation since its  
20 inception, be continued with this Act recording this  
21 important organizational change.

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