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NO. 2444

H.P. 1783 House of Representatives, March 4, 1988
 Approved for introduction by a majority of the
 Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.
 Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk Presented by Representative SMITH of Island Falls. Cosponsored by Representative HANDY of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Absenteeism of

Community School Directors.

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Emergency		preamble.		Whereas,	Acts	of	the
Legislature	ob	not	become	effective	until	90	days

Whereas, it is vitally important for community school directors to attend meetings of the board of directors to which they are elected; and

after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, absenteeism on the part of community school directors presents a problem in carrying out the work of a community school; and

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1 2 3	Whereas, legislation is urgently needed to permit municipal officers to declare a vacancy when absenteeism is continuous without permission; and
4 5 6 7 8 9	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,
10 11	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
12 13 14	Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA $\$1254$, sub- $\$1$, $\$\C and D, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 693, $\$\5 and 8, are amended to read:
15	C. On the death of a school director; or
16	D. When a school director resigns: or
17 18	Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §1254, sub-§1, ¶E is enacted to read:
19 20 21	E. When a school director is absent from 3 consecutive board meetings without the permission of the municipal officers.
22 23 24	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill permits the municipal officers of a municipality to select an interim school director for the municipality or subdistrict when a school director is absent from 3 consecutive board meetings without the permission of the municipal officers.

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