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JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate Presented by Senator PRAY of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representative CLARK of Millinocket.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Authorize the Annexation of Land Adjacent to the Town of Millinocket.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, it is of concern that the people of the State be allowed to govern themselves on a local level; and

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Whereas, it is the purpose of this legislation to 1 2 allow the concerned inhabitants of the Town of 3 Millinocket join in the governing of to their own affairs and it is desirable that the annexation be 4 5 permitted as soon as possible pending the referendum 6 set out in this legislation; and

7 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these 8 facts create an emergency within the meaning of the 9 and require the following Constitution of Maine 10 legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; 11. 12 now, therefore,

13 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as 14 follows:

15 Sec. 1. One lot or parcel of land; annexed to Town of Millinocket. The following lot or parcel of 16 17 land bounded and described as follows and situated 18 adjacent to the Town of Millinocket in Penobscot ·19 County is annexed to the Town of Millinocket:

20 Commencing at the northeasterly corner of the Town 21 Millinocket; thence, continuing easterly of along a the north bound of the 22 continuation of Town of 23 Millinocket to the easterly bound of Township 3 Indian Purchase; thence, continuing easterly along the same course to the northerly bound of the Bangor and 24 25 and Aroostook Railroad right-of-way; thence, continuing 26 27 along the same course, to the southerly bound of the 28 Bangor and Aroostook Railroad right-of-way; thence, continuing along the same course to the high water 29 30 mark of Dolby Pond; thence, northerly, easterly, and 31 southerly by and along the high water line of Dolby Pond to the northerly bound of Township A Range No. 7 32 33 WELS; thence, continuing in a southerly direction 34 along the high water line of Dolby Pond to the 35 northerly and 11; sideline of Routes 157 thence, continuing in a southerly direction to the southerly 36 of 37 bound Routes 157 and 11; thence, continuing 38 southerly by and along the high water line of Dolby 39 Pond to the westerly boundary of the Town of East

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Millinocket; thence, southerly, by and along the westerly bound of East Millinocket to the thread of the West Branch of the Penobscot River at the Dolby Dam, so called; thence, northerly and westerly by and along the thread of the West Branch of the Penobscot River to the present east bound of the Town of Millinocket; thence, northerly, easterly and westerly by and along the present east boundary of the Town of Millinocket to the point or place of beginning.

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Sec. 2. Referendum; emergency clause; effective date. This Act shall be submitted to the legal voters in the Town of Millinocket in Penobscot County at the next regular municipal election after the effective date of this Act, and warrants shall be issued for that election in the manner now provided by law for the holding of municipal elections, notifying and warning the qualified voters of the town and township to vote on the approval or rejection of this Act.

20 The town clerk of Millinocket shall prepare the 21 required ballots, on which the town clerk shall reduce 22 the subject matter of this Act to the following 23 question:

"Shall the Town of Millinocket annex certain land adjacent to the town in Penobscot County?"

The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. The votes of legal voters of the Town of Millinocket shall be counted, tallied and recorded.

30 In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, 31 this Act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a 32 of the legal voters of the majority Town of 33 Millinocket voting at this election, provided that the 34 total number of votes cast for and against the 35 acceptance of this Act at the election by legal voters 36 of the town equals or exceeds 50% of the total votes 37 cast for all candidates for Governor in the town at 38 the last gubernatorial election.

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1 If the number of votes cast is less than 50%, the 2 question may be posed to the voters at a subsequent 3 regular or special election within one year. If the 4 number of votes cast is 50% or more and the referendum 5 fails, it may not be submitted again to the voters 6 under the provisions of this Act.

7 The result of the votes shall be declared by the 8 municipal officers of the town and due certificates 9 thereof shall be filed by the town clerk with the 10 Secretary of State within 10 days of the date of the 11 vote.

STATEMENT OF FACT

13 This bill authorizes the annexation of certain 14 surrounding land by the Town of Millinocket.

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