

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 16, 1989

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative SMITH of Island Falls.

Cosponsored by Senator PEARSON of Penobscot and Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Annex Township 4, Range 3 WELS to the Town of Island Falls.



1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

3 **Sec. 1. Township 4, Range 3 WELS annexed to Island Falls.** The
4 unorganized territory consisting of Township 4, Range 3 WELS in
5 Aroostook County is annexed to the Town of Island Falls. All
6 real and personal property and all other effects belonging to the
7 township are hereby conveyed to the Town of Island Falls.

9 **Sec. 2. Responsibility of State.** The State shall assume
10 responsibility for any outstanding indebtedness of the township
11 at the time of annexation and thereafter neither the Town of
12 Island Falls nor the inhabitants of Island Falls shall be
13 responsible for obligations incurred prior to the time of
14 annexation.

15 **Sec. 3. Referendum.** This Act shall take effect January 1,
16 1990, only if it has been approved by a majority of the legal
17 voters of the Town of Island Falls and Township 4, Range 3 WELS
18 in Aroostook County at a regular town meeting of the Town of
19 Island Falls held anytime during 1989. Warrants shall be issued
20 for that meeting in the manner now provided by law for the
21 holding of municipal elections, notifying and warning the
22 qualified voters of the town and the township of the vote on the
23 approval or rejection of this Act.

24 The subject matter of this Act shall be presented at the
25 town meeting in the form of the following question:

26 "Shall the Town of Island Falls annex Township 4, Range 3
27 WELS in Aroostook County?"

28 This Act shall be considered approved for both the town and
29 the township upon its acceptance by a majority of the combined
30 legal voters of the 2 entities voting at the meeting, provided
31 that the total number of votes cast for and against the
32 acceptance of this Act at the election equals or exceeds 50% of
33 the total votes cast for all candidates for Governor in the 2
34 entities at the last gubernatorial election.

35 If the number of votes cast is less than 50%, the question
36 may be posed to the voters at a subsequent regular or special
37 meeting within 1989. If the number of votes cast is 50% or more
38 and the referendum fails, it may not be submitted again to the
39 voters under the provisions of this Act.

40 The result of the votes shall be declared by the municipal
41 officers of the town and due certificate thereof shall be filed
42 by the town clerk with the Secretary of State within 10 days of
43 the date of the vote.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to authorize the annexation of Township 4, Range 3 WELS in Aroostook County to the Town of Island Falls, subject to referendum. A map of the affected area follows:

