# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 114th MAINE LEGISLATURE

### FIRST REGULAR SESSION - 1989

#### **Legislative Document**

No. 229

H.P. 164

House of Representatives, February 16, 1989

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

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



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

- Sec. 1. Township 4, Range 3 WELS annexed to Island Falls. The unorganized territory consisting of Township 4, Range 3 WELS in Aroostook County is annexed to the Town of Island Falls. All real and personal property and all other effects belonging to the township are hereby conveyed to the Town of Island Falls.
- Sec. 2. Responsibility of State. The State shall assume responsibility for any outstanding indebtedness of the township at the time of annexation and thereafter neither the Town of Island Falls nor the inhabitants of Island Falls shall be responsible for obligations incurred prior to the time of annexation.

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

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

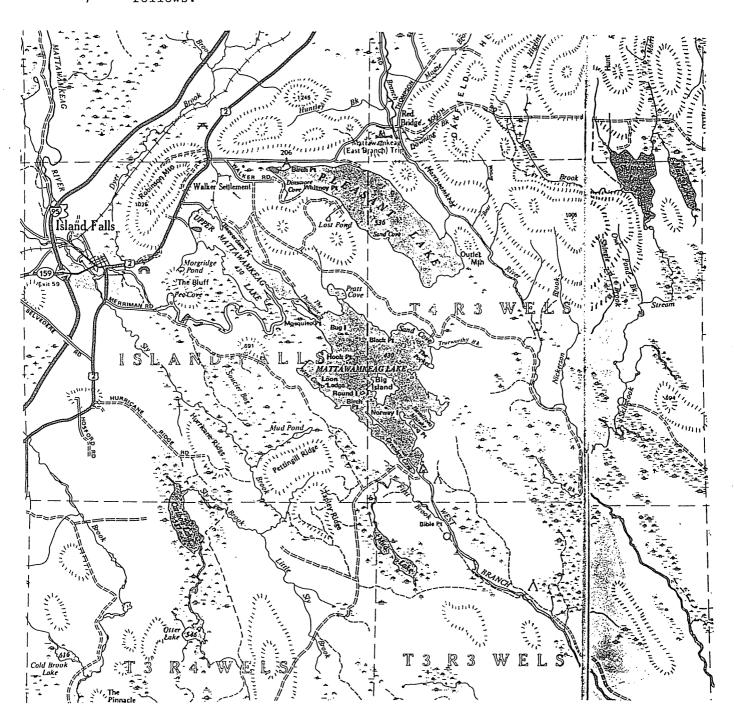
"Shall the Town of Island Falls annex Township 4, Range 3 WELS in Aroostook County?"

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

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

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

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:



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