

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 19, 1991

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

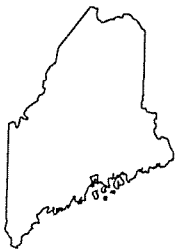
Presented by Representative LARRIVEE of Gorham.

Cosponsored by Representative ADAMS of Portland and Representative WENTWORTH of Arundel.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act to Restructure Boards of Assessment Review.



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

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30-A MRSA §2526, sub-§6, ~~§§B~~ and D, as amended by PL 1989, c.
4 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, are further amended to read:

6 B. The board of assessment review ~~shall consist~~ consists of
7 3 members and 2 alternates appointed by the selectmen. The
8 ~~town~~ municipality, when adopting such a board, may fix the
9 compensation of the members. Initially, one member ~~shall~~
10 must be appointed for one year, one member for 2 years and
11 one member for 3 years, and one of the alternates must be
12 appointed for one year and one alternate for 2 years.
13 Thereafter, the term of each new member or alternate is 3
14 years.

16 ~~D. Towns with a population of 5,000 or more~~ Municipalities
17 may provide by ordinance for a board of assessment review
18 consisting of 5 or 7 members and up to 3 alternates. The
19 terms of office of members and alternates may not exceed 5
20 years and initial appointments shall must be such that the
21 terms of office of no more than 2 members or alternates will
22 expire in any single year.

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26 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

28 Current law restricts municipalities of under 5,000 to a
29 3-member board of assessment review. At the same time it allows
30 them to designate their 5-member or 7-member board of appeals as
31 a board of assessment review. This bill avoids this
32 inconsistency by allowing municipalities of any size to create a
33 5-member or 7-member board of assessment review. It also
34 provides for alternate members to that board.