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JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator COLLINS of Aroostook
Cosponsored by Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Senator THERIAULT of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act to Amend the Northern Maine Regional Planning Commission,
Inc. and the Northern Regional Planning Commission, Inc. Charter.**

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

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4 P&SL 1989, c. 89 is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 1. Commission charter.** Notwithstanding the provisions of
8 the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, chapter 119, or any act
10 of ~~the Northern Regional Planning Commission or the Northern~~
12 Maine Regional Planning Commission, Inc., the provisions of this
14 Act shall be a charter for each ~~of these commissions~~ this
commission. No regional planning commission, other than as
provided herein, may be established or act within the designated
area of the present ~~Northern Regional Planning Commission or the~~
Northern Maine Regional Planning Commission, Inc., unless in
conformity with this Act.

16 **Sec. 2. Eligibility for funds and grants.** No state or county funds
18 may be paid to ~~the Northern Regional Planning Commission or the~~
20 Northern Maine Regional Planning Commission, Inc. unless the
22 ~~commissions~~ commission reorganizes and ~~govern~~
24 themselves governs itself exclusively under this charter. It is
the intent of the State that only if ~~the Northern Regional~~
Planning Commission and the Northern Maine Regional Planning
Commission govern themselves, Inc. governs itself under this
charter shall they it be eligible for federal funds or grants for
any purpose.

26 **Sec. 3. Failure to reorganize.** If ~~either the Northern Regional~~
28 Planning Commission or the Northern Maine Regional Planning
30 Commission, Inc. fails to reorganize and govern itself by this
32 charter, then, on determination of such failure by the county
34 commissioners, after notice and hearing, the commission shall
36 cease to have the authority or status as a regional planning
38 commission under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, chapter
119, and all funds and assets of the commission shall be
transferred to the State Planning Office. The State Planning
Office shall thereafter act for all purposes and with all
authority as the regional planning commission for that region.
The county commissioners may petition the Superior Court to
enforce this Act.

40 **Sec. 4. Charter.** The following shall be the charter for the
42 ~~Northern Regional Planning Commission and the Northern Maine~~
44 Regional Planning Commission, Inc.

46 **1. Legal basis for planning commission.** The legal bases
48 basis for these this regional planning ~~commissions~~ commission
is contained in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, chapter
119, and other applicable laws.

50 **2. Name.** The commission is known as the Northern regional
Maine Regional Planning Commission, Inc. may conduct and all

business must be conducted under ~~its corporate~~ this name ~~or as~~
2 the ~~Northern Maine Regional Planning Commission, Inc.~~

4 3. **Purposes.** The purposes of the planning ~~emissions~~
commission, hereinafter referred to as the commission, shall be
6 to prepare a coordinated plan for the development of northern
8 Maine, taking into account present and future needs, with a view
10 toward encouraging the most appropriate use of land, such as for
12 industry, commerce, education, housing, forestry and agriculture,
14 the facilities of transportation and communications, the proper
16 and economic location of public utilities and services, the
18 development of adequate recreational areas, the encouragement of
educational programs and facilities, the promotion of good civic
design and the wise and efficient expenditure of public funds.
The plan shall be made in order to promote the health, safety,
education and general welfare of the northern Maine region and
its inhabitants.

In addition, the commission shall promote cooperative efforts
20 toward regional economic development, coordinate with state and
22 federal planning and development programs, provide planning
24 assistance and advisory services to municipalities and promote
and assist the growth and development of business concerns
including small business.

26 The regional planning commission has all the powers provided for
28 by law, to accomplish the purposes as set forth in this section.

30 4. **Membership; term; dues.** The membership, terms of office
and dues shall be as set forth in this subsection.

32 A. Cities, towns, plantations and unorganized townships ,
34 referred to in this Act as communities, within the Northern
Maine Planning and Economic Development District that have
chosen to become members in accordance with the laws made
36 and provided therefor and that have complied with subsection
5 paragraphs E and F shall be a member of the commission.
38 There shall be at least 7 member communities. Each
community that is a member of the commission shall be
40 entitled to have 2 representatives and one alternate
representative on the commission and an additional
42 representative for each 10,000 increment in population or a
major part thereof over 10,000. City, town and plantation
44 representatives shall be appointed by and serve at the
pleasure of ~~community officials~~ their municipal officers.
46 At least one representative for each municipality shall be
an elected official, or employee of, a general purpose unit
48 of local government. ~~Representatives shall have full voting~~
~~privileges and shall be eligible to hold any office in the~~
50 ~~commission, except those for which remuneration is~~
~~provided. Communities that are not members of the~~
52 ~~commission may be associate members and may appoint~~

2 ~~delegates to the commission. Delegates shall have no vote~~
3 ~~in the official proceedings and shall not be eligible to~~
4 ~~hold office in the commission, but may participate to any~~
5 ~~extent in the commission's activities and discussions in~~
6 ~~behalf of regional planning and developments.~~

7 The governing body of the commission must be composed of
8 both elected officials and private citizens including male
9 and female representatives of major governmental, economic
10 and social groups within the boundaries of the district.

11 At least 1/5 of the representatives must be private citizens
12 who are neither elected officials of a general purpose unit
13 of local government nor employees of such government. The
14 commission must comply with civil rights guidelines.

15 Representatives have full voting privileges and are eligible
16 to hold any office in the commission, except those for which
17 remuneration is provided. Communities that are not members
18 of the commission may be associate members and may appoint
19 delegates to the commission. Delegates may not vote in the
20 official proceedings and are not eligible to hold office in
21 the commission, but may participate to any extent in the
22 commission's activities and discussions in behalf of
23 regional planning and developments.

24 The executive board may adopt a rule for the acceptance of
25 other nonvoting associate members and accept gifts on behalf
26 of the commission.

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32 B. The county commissioners shall appoint 2 representatives
33 and one alternate representative (unorganized township
34 representatives) who reside in unorganized townships to
35 serve on the commission. The unorganized township
36 representatives shall serve at the pleasure of the county
commissioners.

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38 C. Counties which have chosen to become members, in
39 recognition of a reasonable annual contribution to the
40 commission's planning and development programs, are accorded
41 membership and may have 2 representatives and one alternate
42 representative on the commission (county representatives)
43 appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the county
44 commissioners, at least one representative appointed by the
45 county commissioners shall represent minority interests. A
46 minority shall be any group so recognized under the laws or
47 regulations of the United States Government. County
48 representatives shall have full voting privileges and shall
49 be eligible to hold any office in the commission, except
50 those for which remuneration is provided.

2 D. The community representatives and the county
representatives shall together be called member
representatives.

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6 E. Terms of community and county membership shall be for
one year and shall start July 1st and end June 30th,
following such affirmative vote to begin or continue.

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10 F. Membership dues shall become payable July 1st of each
year. Communities failing to pay their dues on or before
12 September 1st of each year shall be considered nonmembers
for that year.

14 G. The officers of the commission shall include a chair,
vice-chair, secretary and treasurer. ~~The---chair---and~~
16 ~~vice-chair-shall-be-elected-officials.~~

18 **5. Appropriation to the commission.** Budgetary concerns are
governed by this subsection.

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22 A. The commission's executive board of directors and
administrative staff shall prepare an annual budget and
24 shall recommend, on an equitable basis in relation to the
current state valuation of communities and the latest United
26 States Decennial Census count, the amount to be paid by each
community within its service area. The amounts shall be
submitted to the full commission, by the executive board,
28 for review and approval at the November meeting of the
commission.

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32 B. The commission's executive board of directors and
administrative staff shall recommend what they consider a
34 reasonable contribution to the commission from the each
county. The amount shall be submitted to the full
36 commission by the executive board for review and approval at
the November meeting of the commission.

38 C. After approval, the amounts shall be certified to the
community municipal officers and county commissioners in
40 sufficient time to allow for appropriations to be made.

42 D. The fiscal year of the commission begins January 1st and
end December 31st.

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46 E. Representatives may not be remunerated for their
services, but may be reimbursed upon approval of the
48 commission for their expenses incurred in behalf of the
commission.

50 **6. Executive board.** The executive board shall consist of a
total of 29 persons, 2 of whom shall be county representatives

and 27 persons who shall be elected on the basis of the following seats.

A. Districts shall be as follows.

(1) Commission district 1. Nine seats representing the following Aroostook County communities municipalities located within county commissioner district 1, plus the communities of Danforth, Mount Chase and Stacyville.

(a) Amity, Ashland, Bancroft, Blaine, Bridgewater, Cary Plantation, Crystal, Dyer-Breck, E-Plantation, Easton, Fort-Fairfield, Garfield Plantation, Glenwood Plantation, Hammend, Haynesville, Hersey, Hedgen, Houlton, Island Falls, Linneus, Littleton, Ludlow, Macwahee Plantation, Mars Hill, Masardis, Merrill, Monticello, More Plantation, Nashville Plantation, New-Limerick, Oakfield, Orient, Oxbow Plantation, Reed Plantation, Sherman, Smyrna, Westfield, Weston, Danforth, Mount-Chase and Stacyville;

(2) Commission district 2. Nine seats representing the following Aroostook County communities municipalities located within county commissioner district 2, plus the community of Patten.

(a) Allagash, Caribou, Castle Hill, Chapman, Eagle Lake, Mapleton, Perham, Portage Lake, Presque Isle, St. Francis, St. John Plantation, Wade, Washburn, Westmanland, Winterville Plantation and Patten; and

(3) Commission district 3. Nine seats representing the following Aroostook County communities municipalities located within county commissioner district 3, plus all of the unorganized townships.

(a) Caswell Plantation, Cyr Plantation, Fort Kent, Frenchville, Grand Isle, Hamlin, Limestone, Madawaska, New-Canada, New-Sweden, Saint-Agatha, Stockholm, Van-Buren, Wallagrass Plantation, Weedland, Unorganized Townships.

Any one community shall not have more than one seat on the executive board, except for those seats appointed by the county commissioners. The executive board shall be subordinate to the commission.

B. The representatives from each district shall, during part 2 of the annual meeting, elect by written ballot from

2 among themselves, 9 representatives to the executive board
of whom 3 shall serve a one-year term, 3 shall serve a
4 2-year term and 3 shall serve a 3-year term. In succeeding
elections, these representatives are elected for a 3-year
6 term or as appropriate to maintain the balance of staggered
terms.

8 If the executive board members can not attend an executive
board meeting, it is their responsibility to notify their
10 alternates prior to the board meeting.

12 Executive board members who fail to attend or have their
alternates attend for 4 consecutive executive board meetings
14 without just cause may be replaced by the executive board in
the same manner as provided in paragraph F.

16 C. After the election and installation of the executive
18 board, the full commission shall elect by written ballot its
chair, vice-chair, secretary and treasurer from among the
20 members of the executive board. The chair and vice-chair
shall be limited to serve not more than 2 consecutive
22 one-year terms in office.

24 D. At the expense of the commission, the treasurer and
executive director shall be bonded. The amount shall be
26 determined by the executive board.

28 E. The terms of office of all executive board members,
including the terms of the chair, vice-chair, secretary and
30 treasurer, shall begin immediately upon their election, and
they shall hold office until their successors have been
32 elected and installed. Not counting any terms served prior
to adoption of this charter, executive board members shall
34 not serve more than 2 consecutive full 3-year terms.

36 F. The executive board by majority vote may temporarily
fill vacancies in offices occurring between annual
38 elections. Officers and executive board members so elected
shall serve only for the balance of the current year or
40 until their successors are elected and installed.

42 G. The executive board shall supervise the affairs of the
commission and the executive director in their duties, make
44 recommendations to the commission and perform such other
duties as are specified by this charter.

46 The board shall be subject to the orders of the commission
and none of its acts may conflict with action taken by the
48 commission.

50 The chair shall preside at meetings of the commission and
52 executive board, may call special meetings of the commission

2 and executive board, may serve as a nonvoting ex officio
3 member of all committees, shall present an annual report to
4 the annual meeting and shall perform such other duties as
5 are customary to the office. The chair may vote only in the
6 case of a tie.

7 The vice-chair shall preside at meetings in the absence or
8 incapacity of the chair.

9 The secretary shall be responsible for reviewing minutes
10 prior to their printing and shall perform such duties as are
11 customary to the office.

12 The treasurer shall supervise the expenditures of the
13 commission and all other normal duties of the office,
14 including regular reports of the current financial condition
15 of the commission at each regular meeting of the commission
16 and executive board.

17 H. Regular meetings of the executive board shall be held
18 bimonthly. Special meetings of the executive board may be
19 called by the chair or may be called upon the request of 8
20 members of the executive board.

21 I. Twelve members of the executive board shall constitute a
22 quorum for transaction of business by the executive board.

23 J. The executive board may appoint honorary or advisory
24 nonvoting members to the executive board.

25 **7. Commission finances.** The commission finances shall be
26 governed as follows.

27 A. The fiscal year of the commission shall begin January
28 1st and end December 31st.

29 B. Representatives shall not be remunerated for their
30 services, but may be reimbursed upon approval of the
31 commission for their expenses incurred in behalf of the
32 commission.

33 **8. Commission meetings.** Commission meetings shall be
34 governed as follows.

35 A. The commission shall schedule at least 2 meetings
36 yearly. ~~All efforts shall be made to hold these meetings on~~
37 ~~the 2nd Monday of~~ These meetings must be held in the months
38 of May and November at a time and place, to be determined by
39 the executive board, which shall best serve the convenience
40 of the greatest number of representatives and alternates.
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2 B. The regular meeting ~~on the 2nd Monday~~ in November shall
4 be known as the annual meeting and shall be divided into 2
6 parts as follows: Part 1 shall be for the purpose of
8 receiving reports of the executive board, committees, staff
and for unfinished business; part 2 shall be for the purpose
of electing executive board members and officers and for new
business.

10 C. Additional meetings may be called by the chair, majority
12 vote of the executive board or by petition of 20% of the
representatives.

14 D. Seven days' notice of all meetings of the commission and
16 executive board shall be mailed to representatives and
18 alternates, except in an emergency when, with the approval
of a majority of the executive board, the chair may call a
meeting on shorter notice.

20 E. Minutes of all meetings of the commission and executive
22 board shall be written by the secretary or a staff person
and shall be available for public inspection. After review
by the secretary, copies shall be mailed to representatives
and alternates.

24 F. A quorum for the transaction of business at meetings of
26 the commission shall consist of a minimum of 25% of the
28 appointed representatives or alternates holding full voting
privileges present at the particular meeting.

30 **9. Administration.** The administration of the commission
32 shall be vested in a full commission, an executive board and an
executive director, all of whom shall be selected in accordance
34 with this charter and shall function according to a schedule of
responsibilities outlined as follows.

36 A. The management of personnel shall be as set forth in
38 this paragraph.

40 (1) The executive director shall be hired as follows.

42 (a) The executive board shall interview and
recommend candidates to the full commission.

44 (b) The full commission shall review and approve
46 the selection.

48 (2) Disciplinary action against the executive director
shall be as follows.

50 (a) The executive board shall recommend
52 disciplinary action to the full commission.

- 2 (b) The full commission shall review and approve disciplinary action.
- 4 (3) Other staff shall be hired as follows.
- 6 (a) The executive director shall interview and recommend candidates to the executive board.
- 8 (b) The executive board shall review and approve hiring consistent with the annual work program and budget.
- 10 (b) The executive board shall review and approve hiring consistent with the annual work program and budget.
- 12 (4) Disciplinary action against other staff shall be governed as follows.
- 14 (a) The executive director shall prescribe disciplinary action.
- 16 (b) The executive board shall review disciplinary action on appeal.
- 18 (b) The executive board shall review disciplinary action on appeal.
- 20 (b) The executive board shall review disciplinary action on appeal.
- 22 (5) A personnel manual shall be prepared as follows.
- 24 (a) The executive director shall prepare and supervise a draft of a personnel manual and amendments to that manual and shall make recommendations to the executive board.
- 26 (a) The executive director shall prepare and supervise a draft of a personnel manual and amendments to that manual and shall make recommendations to the executive board.
- 28 (b) The executive board shall review and approve the personnel manual and proposed amendments.
- 30 (b) The executive board shall review and approve the personnel manual and proposed amendments.
- 32 B. The budget, contracts and loans shall be governed as follows.
- 34 (1) The annual budget shall be prepared as follows.
- 36 (a) The executive director shall prepare and supervise a draft budget and recommend a proposed budget to the executive board.
- 38 (a) The executive director shall prepare and supervise a draft budget and recommend a proposed budget to the executive board.
- 40 (b) The executive board shall review and recommend a proposed annual budget to the full commission.
- 42 (b) The executive board shall review and recommend a proposed annual budget to the full commission.
- 44 (c) The full commission shall review and approve the annual budget.
- 46 (c) The full commission shall review and approve the annual budget.
- 48 (2) Interim contracts not included in the annual budget shall be reviewed as follows.
- 50 (a) The executive director shall recommend contracts to the executive board.
- 52 (a) The executive director shall recommend contracts to the executive board.

- 2 (b) The executive board shall review and approve
4 contracts.
- 6 (3) Interim loans not included in the annual budget
8 shall be reviewed as follows.
 - 10 (a) The executive director shall recommend loans
12 to the executive board.
 - 14 (b) The executive board shall review and approve
16 loans under \$50,000.
 - 18 (c) The full commission shall review and approve
20 loans over \$50,000.
- 22 (4) Interim purchases, such as capital expenditures
24 not included in the annual budget, shall be reviewed as
26 follows.
 - 28 (a) The executive director shall recommend
30 purchases to the executive board.
 - 32 (b) The executive board shall review and approve
34 purchases.
- 36 (5) Annual audits shall be performed in accordance
38 with the following.
 - 40 (a) The executive director shall request bids for
42 audits and bids may be for a 3-year period.
 - 44 (b) The executive board shall select the auditor.
- 46 (6) The salary schedule for the executive director
48 shall be approved as follows.
 - 50 (a) The executive board shall review and
52 recommend the executive director's salary.
 - (b) The full commission shall review and approve
the executive director's salary.
- (7) The salary schedule for other staff shall be
approved as follows.
 - (a) The executive director shall review and
recommend the staff salary schedule.
 - (b) The executive board shall review and approve
the staff salary schedule.

2 C. The program management shall be governed as follows.

4 (1) The annual work program shall be prepared as follows.

6 (a) The executive director shall prepare and supervise a draft of the annual work program and
8 make recommendations to the executive board.

10 (b) The executive board shall review and approve the annual work program.

12 (2) The annual work program shall, including loans made from the commission's revolving loan fund, must be
14 implemented as follows.

16 (a) The executive director shall implement the adopted annual work program.

18 (b) The executive board shall supervise implementation of the adopted annual work program
20 and approve loans from the commission's revolving loan fund.
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24 (c) The executive director may recommend the grouping of communities into several subdistricts.
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28 (d) The executive board shall review and approve the subdistricts.

30 (3) An official plan and position statement shall be prepared as follows.
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34 (a) The executive director shall prepare and supervise a draft of the official plan and
36 position statement.

38 (b) The executive board shall review and approve the official plan and position statement.
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42 (4) Additional administrative policies are set forth as follows.

44 (a) The executive director shall prepare and supervise a draft of the administrative policies.
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48 (b) The executive board shall review and approve the administrative policies.

50 ~~(5) --The formulation of committees shall be as follows.~~

2 (a) ~~The executive director shall recommend the~~
formation of, ~~supervise and prepare resolutions~~
for executive board action.

4 (b) ~~The executive board shall review and approve~~
6 these resolutions.

8 (6) ~~The implementation of committees shall be as~~
follows.

10 (a) ~~The executive director shall supervise staff~~
12 support of committees.

14 (b) ~~The executive board shall appoint members to~~
16 committees.

18 (7) (5) The preparation of the service policy shall be
as follows.

20 (a) The executive director shall prepare and
22 supervise the drafting of a service policy and
amendments and make recommendations to the
24 executive board.

26 (b) The executive board shall review and approve
the service policy and amendments.

28 (8) (6) News releases shall be released as follows.

30 (a) The executive director shall prepare,
supervise and approve: news releases on general
32 administrative matters; and news releases on
program and committee activities; ~~and news~~
34 ~~releases on proposed commission policies and~~
positions.

36 (b) The executive director shall prepare and
38 supervise news releases on proposed commission
policies and positions. The executive board shall
40 review and approve news releases on proposed
42 commission policies and positions.

44 10. Committees. The formation, membership, powers and
reports of standing and special committees shall be governed as
46 follows.

48 A. The commission representatives may adopt resolutions
creating continuing or permanent committees that shall be
50 known as standing committees. The method of appointment or
election of each committee and its chair, the filling of
52 vacancies that occur, provisions for committee members who
are members of the public but not ~~commissioners~~

2 representatives and temporary members, according to
paragraph C, may be included in the resolution.

4 B. Unless otherwise provided in this charter, terms of
6 members of standing committees shall run until the end of
8 the first part of the annual meeting, except that committee
10 members may continue their duties until their successors are
chosen. Resolutions creating these committees may provide
for their renewal of terms and may limit the number of terms
that may be served.

12 C. The commission representatives may vote to add one or
14 more temporary members to a standing committee, provided
16 that the resolution forming that standing committee provides
18 for the possible addition of temporary members. The
20 temporary members may be added to assist the committee in
22 considering a particular question. The motion adding
temporary members shall specify either the names or
occupations of the proposed members ~~or~~ and how those members
shall be selected and whether or not those members shall
have a vote in the committee.

24 D. Committees formed to carry out a specified task will
26 cease to exist at the completion of the presentation of
28 their final reports and shall be known as special
30 committees. The representatives may adopt resolutions
forming special committees in the same manner in which
standing committees are formed in paragraph A, or the chair
of the commission, with the consent of the majority of the
executive board, may create a special committee and appoint
its members.

32 Terms of members of special committees shall continue
34 through an annual meeting if the committee has yet to
36 present its final report, except that representatives or
38 alternates on a special committee whose terms on the
commission expire at that annual meeting may be replaced by
new representatives and alternates in the same manner in
which the original appointments were made.

40 ~~E. The commission may give a standing committee or special
42 committee, by a majority vote of the commission, power to
44 act for the commission on a specific question.~~

46 ~~If a standing committee is to have authority to act for the
48 commission on matters of a certain class without specific
instructions from the commission, or if all business of a
certain class is to be automatically referred to a standing
50 committee, such authority may be granted only by a 2/3 vote
of the commission, following previous notice of the motion.~~

2 ~~All powers authorized in this paragraph shall expire at the~~
3 ~~end of the first part of the annual meeting but may be~~
4 ~~renewed at the 2nd part of the annual meeting in the same~~
5 ~~manner as originally voted.~~

6 F. Standing committees shall present reports at each annual
7 meeting summarizing the work done by the committee during
8 the year.

10 On their own initiative, standing committees may make
11 reports recommending action to the commission. When a
12 subject or resolution has been referred to a standing
13 committee for study or recommendation, the committee may
14 make progress reports or a final report, when ready or when
15 requested by the commission or its chair, with 20 days'
16 notice.

18 Except when very brief, reports of committees should be in
19 writing.

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21 11. **Parliamentary authority.** The rules contained in the
22 current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall
23 govern the commission in all cases when applicable and when not
24 inconsistent with this charter and any special rule or order the
25 commission may adopt.

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27 12. General corporation limitations. The following
28 limitations apply to the commission as a corporation.

30 A. This corporation is organized without capital stock and
31 must be operated exclusively for those public purposes
32 stated in this charter and in its certificate of
33 organization and all the assets and income of this
34 corporation must be used exclusively for public purposes.
35 No part of the assets and income may inure to the benefits
36 of any member of this corporation or any individual,
37 provided however, that nothing in this section contained may
38 be construed to prevent the payment by this corporation of
39 salaries and expenses to employees of this corporation and
40 of expenses to directors and officers of this corporation.

42 B. This corporation has all corporate powers and is subject
43 to all corporate limitations as set forth in the Maine
44 Revised Statutes, Title 13-B, as amended.

46 C. Any part of the net earnings of this corporation may not
47 inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its
48 members, directors, officers or other private persons,
49 except that this corporation is authorized and empowered to
50 pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to
51 make payments and distribution in furtherance of its
52 purposes.

2 that they will automatically correspond with county commissioner
districts in Aroostook County.

4 7. The bill adds language that makes executive board
6 members responsible for notifying alternate members when they can
8 not attend meetings and makes it possible to replace executive
board members who have missed 4 consecutive executive board
meetings without just cause.

10 8. The bill makes it clear that the 2 annual overall board
12 meetings must be held in the months of May and November.

14 9. The bill allows the executive director to group
communities into several subdistricts.

16 10. The bill removes language that is adequately covered in
18 Public Law 1989, chapter 89, section 10.

20 11. The bill removes unnecessary power given to standing
committees.

22 12. The bill adds language that is necessary for a
24 nonprofit corporation to meet the guidelines of the United States
Internal Revenue Service.