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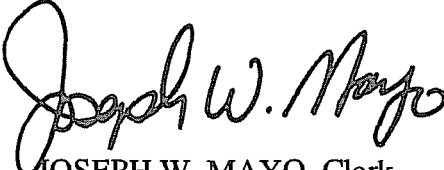
H.P. 508

House of Representatives, February 25, 1993

**An Act to Facilitate the Conduct of Business of the Maine Technical
College System.**

(EMERGENCY)

Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative GWADOSKY of Fairfield.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CLOUTIER of South Portland, JACQUES of Waterville,
MARSH of West Gardiner, PARADIS of Augusta, POULIOT of Lewiston, ST. ONGE of
Greene, TRACY of Rome.

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

4 Whereas, it is necessary for this legislation to be enacted
6 as an emergency measure so that the Maine Technical College
System can better conduct the business of the college system; and

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

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

16 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §12705, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 1991, c.
18 140, §2, is further amended to read:

20 **1. Membership.** The board of trustees consists of ~~10~~ 13
appointed voting members and 3 ex officio, voting members as
22 follows:

24 C. ~~Nine~~ Twelve from the field of business and industry, the
field of labor, the field of education and the general
26 public;

28 D. The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's
successor, who serves ex officio;

30 E. The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development,
32 or the commissioner's successor, who serves ex officio;

34 F. The Commissioner of Labor, or the commissioner's
successor, who serves ex officio; and

36 G. One member who is from the student body of one of the
38 technical college campuses at the time of appointment and
who is a permanent resident of the State. To be eligible
40 for appointment as a student member, a student must be
enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester.

42 The student member is a full voting member of the board of
44 trustees and serves for a 2-year term and until a successor
is qualified. By January 1st of every 2nd year, the
46 president of the system shall solicit a list of 5 eligible
students from the student governments from 5 of the campuses
48 within the Maine Technical College System, the 6th campus
being excluded in accordance with this subsection. The
50 Governor shall then nominate a student trustee chosen from

2 the list within 30 days of receiving the list of names. The
3 nomination is subject to review by the joint standing
4 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over
5 education matters and to confirmation by the Legislature.
6 The student trustee may not come from the same campus in any
7 2 consecutive terms. In the event that the student trustee
8 transfers from one campus to another during the student's
9 term of appointment, the student's original campus of
10 enrollment is the campus excluded when the next student
11 trustee is appointed.

12 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the
13 preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill increases from 13 to 16 the number of Trustees of
the Maine Technical College System.