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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1097, L.D. 1484, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Boothbay Harbor Water System"

Amend the bill in the 2nd paragraph after the title in the first line (page 1, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Boothbay and"

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "Sec. 2." in the 6th line from the end (page 2, line 6 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "Southport" the following: ', to the Village Corporation of Squirrel Island' and in the 4th and 5th lines from the end (page 2, lines 7 and 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Boothbay Harbor, Southport and Squirrel Island." and inserting in its place the following: 'Boothbay Harbor, and Squirrel-Island Southport.'

Further amend the bill in section 3 by striking out all of that part designated "Sec. 7." and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 7. Board of water commissioners; duties; compensation; town manager, powers and duties. Said The town is hereby authorized to elect by ballot a board of water commissioners consisting of 3 persons, the first 3 chosen to serve one for one year, one for 2 years and one for 3 years and thereafterwards after the initial election one commissioner shall ~~be~~ is elected annually in the month of ~~March~~ May to serve a term of 3 years. The water commissioner who receives the largest number of votes cast at the first election shall hold office for 3 years. The water commissioner who receives the next largest number of votes cast at the first election shall hold office for 2 years, and the water commissioner who receives the next largest

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2 number of votes cast at the first election shall hold office for
 3 one year, and shall serve until their successors are elected and
 4 qualified. If a commissioner resigns from office or the office
 5 is otherwise vacated, the board of selectmen of the Town of
 6 Boothbay Harbor may appoint a new commissioner to serve until the
 7 next annual election in May, when a commissioner is elected to
 8 serve for the remaining term of the departed commissioner, unless
 9 the term has come to an end, in which case the commissioner is
 10 elected in the normal course for a 3-year term. Said The
 11 commissioners are authorized to fix the water rates and determine
 12 the conditions and the manner of the water supply, and shall have
 13 the general control and management of the water system owned by
 14 the town. ~~They shall~~ The commissioners are entitled to receive
 15 such compensation for their services as may be fixed by the
 16 town. ~~Whenever said~~ When the town shall ~~vote~~ votes to employ a
 17 town manager, but not in union with one or more other towns, said
 18 the town manager shall ~~be~~ is the administrative head of the water
 19 system and responsible to the water commissioners. ~~His~~ The town
 20 manager's powers and duties in connection therewith shall ~~be~~ with
 21 the water system are the same as in the management of the
 22 municipal affairs of the town so far as applicable. Purchases
 23 and disbursements shall ~~be~~ are made by the town manager on
 24 vouchers signed by a majority of the commissioners.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment makes the following changes to the bill:

1. Corrects a reference to the Boothbay Harbor Water System;
2. Clarifies a reference to Squirrel Island, which is a village corporation;
3. Provides that the annual election of commissioners is to be held in May, not March; and
4. Changes the provision of the bill that allows 2 commissioners to appoint the 3rd commissioner when there is a vacancy. Under this amendment, the board of selectmen of the Town of Boothbay Harbor may appoint a commissioner to fill the vacancy until the next election in May, when a new commissioner is elected.

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