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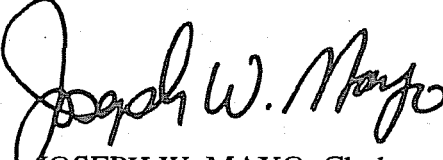
H.P. 1401

House of Representatives, February 18, 1994

An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Refuse Disposal Districts.

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.
Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative MORRISON of Bangor.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CASHMAN of Old Town, CLARK of Millinocket,
COFFMAN of Old Town, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, HUSSEY of Milo, RUHLIN of Brewer,
STROUT of Corinth, SULLIVAN of Bangor, TARDY of Palmyra, TAYLOR of Cumberland,
Senators: BALDACCI of Penobscot, PEARSON of Penobscot.

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

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4 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §1724, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 1993, c. 11,
§1, is further amended to read:

6 **1. Authorization.** All of the affairs of a disposal
8 district must be managed by an appointed board of directors that
consists of not less than 3 directors. The exact number of
10 directors must be determined in accordance with section 1721.
Each director is entitled to the number of votes that
12 corresponds to the level of population in that director's
municipality as set forth in the following table, unless an
14 alternative method of apportioning votes is approved by a
majority vote of the municipal officers representing each member
of the disposal district prior to or at the time of formation.

Population	No. of Votes
0 - 1,000	1
1,001 - 2,500	2
2,501 - 5,000	3
5,001 - 10,000	4
10,001 - 15,000	5
15,001 - 25,000	6
25,001 - 35,000	7
35,001 - 50,000	8
50,001 - 65,000	9
65,001 and over	10

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30 A director may not split votes. In the event a municipality has
32 more than one director, directors from that municipality shall
share equally the number of votes for that municipality. A
34 determination of population must be made based upon the latest
official Decennial Census of the United States by the United
36 States Bureau of Census. A disposal district may alter the
number of its directors by submitting the proposed alteration to
the voters in the same manner as provided in section 1721,
38 subsection 7. No municipality within any disposal district may
have less than one director. A quorum of the directors may
40 conduct the affairs of the district even if there is a vacancy on
the board of directors. A quorum is defined as a simple majority
42 of eligible and appointed directors, provided that a majority of
the member municipalities are represented. A simple majority of
44 directors present--and voting, either in person or by written
consent, may conduct the affairs of the district.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill allows the board of directors of a refuse disposal district to fill their required quorum in writing as well as in person.

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This document has not yet been reviewed to determine the need for cross-reference, stylistic and other technical amendments to conform existing law to current drafting standards.

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