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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 256, L.D. 694, Bill, "An Act to Create the Franklin Utility District"

Amend the bill in section 8 in subsection 1 in the 8th to 10 lines (page 5, lines 19 to 21 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, chapter 63 in an annual election to be held the 2nd Saturday of June in each year" and inserting in its place the following: 'subsection 3'

Further amend the bill in section 8 by inserting after subsection 2 (page 5, line 25 in L.D.) the following:

'3. Vacancy. Whenever the term of office of a trustee expires, the trustee's successor must be elected at large by a plurality vote by the inhabitants of the district. For the purpose of election, an election must be called and held on the 2nd Saturday of June or on such other date in June as the trustees establish, the election to be called by the trustees of the district in the same manner as town meetings are called and for this purpose the trustees are vested with the powers of municipal officers of towns. The trustee so elected shall serve the full term of 3 years. If any vacancy arises in the membership of the board of trustees, it must be filled in like manner for the unexpired term by a special election to be called by the trustees of the district. When any trustee ceases to be a resident of the district, the trustee shall vacate the office of trustee and the vacancy must be filled as provided in this section. All trustees are eligible for reelection, but a person who is a municipal officer in the Town of Franklin is not eligible for nomination or election as trustee.

The trustees may procure an office and incur such expenses as may be necessary.

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The trustees shall appoint a registrar of voters for the district, who may also be the registrar of voters for the Town of Franklin, and fix the registrar's salary. It is the registrar's duty to make and keep a complete list of all the eligible voters of the district. The list prepared by the registrar, as provided by the laws of the State, governs the eligibility of any voter. In determining the eligible voters of the district, the registrar of voters shall exclude from that list and from all checklists the legal voters who are resident outside the territorial limits of the district as defined in this Act. All warrants issued for elections by the trustees must be varied accordingly to show that only the voters resident within the territorial limits of the district are entitled to vote.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment adds standard charter language concerning the filling of vacancies on the board of trustees of the Franklin Utility District.

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