

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 117th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 613

In Senate, December 8, 1995

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### An Act to Establish the Penobscot County Budget Committee.

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.  
Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 6, 1995. Referred to the Committee  
on State and Local Government and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 14.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "May M. Ross".

MAY M. ROSS  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HALL of Piscataquis.

Cosponsored by Senators: CIANCHETTE of Somerset, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot,  
MICHAUD of Penobscot, RUHLIN of Penobscot, Representatives: BUNKER of Kossuth  
Township, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, HICHBORN of Lorange, LANE of Enfield,  
LUMBRA of Bangor, PLOWMAN of Hampden, REED of Dexter, ROSEBUSH of East  
Millinocket.

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

4 Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA c. 3, sub-c. I, art. 14 is enacted to read:

6 ARTICLE 14

8 PENOBSCOT COUNTY BUDGET COMMITTEE

10 §900-F. Definitions

12 As used in this article, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

14 1. Budget committee. "Budget committee" means the Penobscot County Budget Committee.

16 2. Municipal officials. "Municipal officials" means any elected member of a municipal government in Penobscot County.

20 §900-G. Budget; appropriations and approval

22 Notwithstanding sections 2, 701 and 702, in Penobscot County the county commissioners may appropriate money, according to a budget that must be prepared and finalized in accordance with this article.

26 §900-H. Budget committee

28 There is established the Penobscot County Budget Committee to carry out the purposes of this article.

32 1. Membership. The budget committee consists of 15 members. Three members are elected from each commissioner district as provided in this subsection, and each county commissioner shall appoint one municipal official and one Legislator from the commissioner's district.

38 2. Municipal official elections. Before September 30th of every year, the county commissioners shall notify all municipal officials to caucus by county commissioner district at a specified date, time and place for the purpose of electing 3 municipal officials from each district as members of the county budget committee. Each county commissioner shall serve as nonvoting moderator for that district caucus. Nominations must be received from the floor. The 3 nominees receiving the most votes are the budget advisory committee members. The names of those elected by the caucus must be recorded and forwarded to the county commissioners.

