

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 120th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## SECOND REGULAR SESSION-2002

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Legislative Document

No. 2159

S.P. 800

In Senate, March 6, 2002

**An Act to Amend the Charter of the Corinna Water District to Allow for the Appointment of Trustees.**

(AFTER DEADLINE)

(EMERGENCY)

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Utilities and Energy suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pamela L. Cahill".

PAMELA L. CAHILL  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis.  
Cosponsored by Representative TOBIN of Dexter.

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

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6           **Whereas,** the requirements in the charter of the Corinna  
Water District that all members of the board of trustees of the  
district be elected and be customers of the district have made it  
8           costly and difficult to fill those offices; and

10           **Whereas,** this legislation eliminates the need for costly  
elections and provides for more flexibility in the selection of a  
12           member of the board of trustees; and

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

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

22           **Sec. 1. P&SL 2001, c. 13, §§4 and 5** are repealed and the  
following enacted in their place:

24           **Sec. 4. Trustees.** The board of trustees of the district is  
26           composed of 3 trustees appointed by the municipal officers of the  
Town of Corinna. A trustee must be a resident of the district.

28           **Sec. 5. Terms of trustees; vacancies.** Trustees are appointed to  
30           3-year terms. If a vacancy arises, it must be filled for the  
remainder of the unexpired term.

32           **Sec. 2. P&SL 2001, c. 13, §8** is amended to read:

34           **Sec. 8. Continuation of Corinna Water District.** The purpose of  
36           this Act is to modernize the charter of the Corinna Water  
District, established under Private and Special Law 1947, chapter  
38           86, using the Standard Water District Enabling Act. The terms of  
office to which trustees of the Corinna Water District serving on  
40           the effective date of this Act were elected are unaffected by  
this Act. The trustees' successors are ~~elected~~ appointed in  
42           accordance with this Act. Except as specifically provided by  
this Act, nothing in this Act is intended to alter or affect or  
44           may be interpreted as altering or affecting any debts,  
liabilities, obligations, rights or privileges of the Corinna  
46           Water District.

48           **Sec. 3. Transition provision.** This Act does not affect the  
tenure of any trustee elected under Private and Special Law 2001,  
50           chapter 13.

