

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 121st MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2003

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H.P. 1140

House of Representatives, April 10, 2003

### An Act To Reapportion the County Commissioner Districts

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Submitted by the Apportionment Commission pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 65.

*Millicent M. MacFarland*  
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative DUNLAP of Old Town.

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

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**Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §61, first ¶**, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 and Pt. C, §106 and amended by PL 1989, c. 6, c. 9, §2 and c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:

There shall be a board of commissioners for each county consisting of a chairman and 2 other persons. Each of the commissioners of a county must represent one of the commissioner districts established ~~under--section--66~~ by law for the commissioner's county.

**Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §66**, as amended by PL 1995, c. 611, Pt. B, §1, is repealed.

**Sec. 2. Apportionment of county commissioner districts; legislative intent.** The county commissioner districts are established in the unanimous plan for the apportionment of the county commissioner districts submitted by the apportionment commission to the Clerk of the House on April 3, 2003. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, the Legislature intends by the passage of this Act to implement the plan establishing the districts and to make the apportionment as described in Appendix A of this Act.

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## COUNTY DISTRICTS SUMMARY

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TO: CHAIRMAN ZILLMAN AND REAPPORTIONMENT COMMISSION MEMBERS  
FROM: NORM FERGUSON, CONSULTANT FOR REPUBLICAN COMMISSION MEMBERS  
SUBJECT: COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICTS  
DATE: 4/2/2003

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Enclosed is a completed plan to apportion the County Commissioner districts.

I have worked with Greg Olson in the Democrats' Commission Office and we have discussed and reached agreement on the plan submitted. Every County Commissioner has agreed to their respective county plan submitted for the Reapportionment Commission's approval.

The plan that is attached is in the same format as was used by the Apportionment Commission ten years ago. We have also supplied a map for the Commission to inspect.

ANDROSCOGGIN

District I

Ideal population	34598
Actual population	34648
Absolute deviation from ideal	50
Relative deviation from ideal	0.14%

Durham	3381
Greene	4076
Leeds	2001
Lisbon	9077
Livermore	2106
Livermore Falls	3227
Sabattus	4486
Turner	4972
Wales	1322

District II

Ideal population	34598
Actual population	33455
Absolute deviation from ideal	1143
Relative deviation from ideal	-3.30%

Auburn	23203
Mechanic Falls	3138
Minot	2248
Poland	4866

District III

Ideal population	34598
Actual population	35690
Absolute deviation from ideal	1092
Relative deviation from ideal	3.16%

Lewiston	35690
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## AROOSTOOK

### District I

Ideal population	24646
Actual population	24727
Absolute deviation from ideal	81
Relative deviation from ideal	0.33%

Amity	199
Bancroft	61
Blaine	806
Bridgewater	612
Cary plantation	217
Central Aroostook unorg.	95
Crystal	285
Dryer Brook	199
Easton	1249
Fort Fairfield	3579
Hammond	98
Haynesville	122
Hersey	63
Hodgdon	1240
Houlton	6476
Island Falls	793
Linneus	892
Littleton	955
Ludlow	402
Macwahoc plantation	98
Mars Hill	1480
Merrill	249
Monticello	790
Moro plantation	63
New Limerick	523
Oakfield	732
Orient	145
Oxbow plantation	56
Reed plantation	207
Sherman	937
Smyna	415
Southern Aroostook unorg.	486
Weston	203

### District II

Ideal population	24646
Actual population	24659
Absolute deviation from ideal	13
Relative deviation from ideal	0.05%

Ashland	1474
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Caribou	8312
Castle Hill	454
Chapman	465
Garfield	86
Mapleton	1889
Masardis	255
Northwest Aroostook unorg.	27
Presque Isle	9511
Washburn	1627
Westfield	559

District III

Ideal population	24646
Actual population	24552
Absolute deviation from ideal	94
Relative deviation from ideal	-0.38%

Allagash	277
Caswell	326
Connor unorg.	424
Cyr plantation	117
Eagle Lake	815
Fort Kent	4233
Frenchville	1225
Grand Isle	518
Hamlin	257
Limestone	2361
Madawaska	4534
Nashville	55
New Canada	306
New Sweden	621
Perham	434
Portage Lake	390
St. Agatha	802
St. Francis	577
St John	282
Stockholm	271
Square Lake unorg.	615
Van Buren	2631
Wade	250
Wallagrass	561
Westmanland	71
Winterville	196
Woodland	1403

## CUMBERLAND

### District I

Ideal population	88537
Actual population	90280
Absolute deviation from ideal	1743
Relative deviation from ideal	1.97%

Portland	64249
Cumberland	7159
Falmouth	10310
Long Island	202
Yarmouth	8360

### District II

Ideal population	88537
Actual population	88930
Absolute deviation from ideal	393
Relative deviation from ideal	0.44%

Cape Elizabeth	9068
Frye Island	0
Gorham	14141
Scarborough	16970
South Portland	23324
Standish	9285
Westbrook	16142

### District III

Ideal population	88537
Actual population	86402
Absolute deviation from ideal	2135
Relative deviation from ideal	-2.41%

Baldwin	1290
Bridgton	4883
Brunswick	21172
Casco	3469
Freeport	7800
Gray	6820
Harpswell	5239
Harrison	2315
Naples	3274
New Gloucester	4803
Pownal	1491
Raymond	4299
Sebago	1433
Windham	14904
North Yarmouth	3210



FRANKLIN

District I

Ideal population	9822
Actual population	9628
Absolute deviation from ideal	-194
Relative deviation from ideal	-1.98%

Carthage	520
Jay	4985
Wilton	4123

District II

Ideal population	9822
Actual population	9877
Absolute deviation from ideal	55
Relative deviation from ideal	0.56%

Chesterville	1170
Farmington	7410
New Sharon	1297

District III

Ideal population	9822
Actual population	9962
Absolute deviation from ideal	140
Relative deviation from ideal	1.43%

Avon	504
Carrabassett Valley	399
Coplin Pt.	135
Dallas	250
East Central Franklin Unorg.	526
Eustis	685
Industry	790
Kingfield	1103
Madrid	173
New Vineyard	725
North Franklin Unorg.	41
Phillips	990
Rangeley	1052
Rangeley Pt.	123
Sandy River Pt.	93
South Franklin Unorg.	70
Strong	1259
Temple	572
Weld	402
West Central Franklin Unorg.	0
Wyman Unorg.	70

HANCOCK

District I

Ideal population	17264
Actual population	16926
Absolute deviation from ideal	338
Relative deviation from ideal	-1.96%

Amherst	230
Aurora	121
Blue Hill	2390
Central Hancock unorg.	138
East Hancock unorg.	73
Eastbrook	370
Ellsworth	6456
Gouldsboro	1941
Great Pond	47
Mariaville	414
Northwest Hancock unorg.	4
Osborn	69
Otis	543
Sorrento	290
Sullivan	1185
Surry	1361
Waltham	306
Winter Harbor	988

District II

Ideal population	17264
Actual population	17566
Absolute deviation from ideal	302
Relative deviation from ideal	1.75%

Brooklin	841
Brooksville	911
Bucksport	4908
Castine	1343
Dedham	1422
Deer Isle	1876
Orland	2134
Penobscot	1344
Sedgwick	1102
Stonington	1152
Verona	533

District III

Ideal population	17264
Actual population	17299

Absolute deviation from ideal	35
Relative deviation from ideal	0.20%
Bar Harbor	4820
Cranberry Isles	128
Franklin	1370
Frenchboro	38
Hancock	2147
Lamoine	1495
Mount Desert	2109
Southwest Harbor	1966
Swan's Island	327
Tremont	1529
Trenton	1370

KENNEBEC

District I

Ideal population	39038
Actual population	39449
Absolute deviation from ideal	411
Relative deviation from ideal	1.05%

Augusta	18560
Chelsea	2559
China	4106
Pittston	2548
Randolph	1911
Sidney	3514
Vassalboro	4047
Windsor	2204

District II

Ideal population	39038
Actual population	40484
Absolute deviation from ideal	1446
Relative deviation from ideal	3.70%

Belgrade	2978
Farmingdale	2804
Fayette	1040
Gardiner	6198
Hallowell	2467
Litchfield	3110
Manchester	2465
Monmouth	3785
Mount Vernon	1524
Rome	980
Readfield	2360
Vienna	527
Wayne	1112
West Gardiner	2902
Winthrop	6232

District III

Ideal population	39038
Actual population	37181
Absolute deviation from ideal	1857
Relative deviation from ideal	-4.76%

Albion	1946
Benton	2557
Clinton	3340
Oakland	5959

Waterville  
Winslow  
Unity Unorg.

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KNOX

District I

Ideal population	13206
Actual population	13835
Absolute deviation from ideal	629
Relative deviation from ideal	4.76%

Owls Head	1601
Rockland	7609
Rockport	3209
South Thomaston	1416

District II

Ideal population	13206
Actual population	12648
Absolute deviation from ideal	558
Relative deviation from ideal	-4.23%

Cushing	1322
Friendship	1204
St. George	2580
Thomaston	3748
Warren	3794

District III

Ideal population	13206
Actual population	13135
Absolute deviation from ideal	71
Relative deviation from ideal	-0.54%

Appleton	1271
Camden	5254
Hope	1310
Isle Au Haut	79
Matinicus Isle Pt.	51
North Haven	381
Union	2209
Unorganize Territory	0
Vinalhaven	1235
Washington	1345

LINCOLN

District I

Ideal population	11205
Actual population	11416
Absolute deviation from ideal	211
Relative deviation from ideal	1.88%

Boothbay	2960
Edgecomb	1090
Boothbay Harbor	2334
Southport	684
Westport	745
Wiscasset	3603

District II

Ideal population	11205
Actual population	10940
Absolute deviation from ideal	265
Relative deviation from ideal	-2.37%

Bremen	782
Bristol	2644
Monhegan plantation	75
Nobleboro	1626
South Bristol	897
Waldoboro	4916

District III

Ideal population	11205
Actual population	11260
Absolute deviation from ideal	55
Relative deviation from ideal	0.49%

Alna	675
Damariscotta	2041
Dresden	1625
Hibberts Gore unorg.	1
Jefferson	2388
Newcastle	1748
Somerville	509
Whitefield	2273

OXFORD

District I

Ideal population	18252
Actual population	18627
Absolute deviation from ideal	375
Relative deviation from ideal	2.05%

Batchelders Grant	0
Bethel	2411
Brownfield	1251
Denmark	1004
Fryeburg	3083
Hanover	251
Hiram	1423
Lovell	974
Mason unorg.	114
Norway	4611
Porter	1438
Stow	288
Sweden	324
Waterford	1455

District II

Ideal population	18252
Actual population	18552
Absolute deviation from ideal	300
Relative deviation from ideal	1.64%

Andover	864
Byron	121
Canton	1121
Dixfield	2514
Gilead	156
Hartford	963
Lincoln Plantation	46
Magalloway	37
Mexico	2959
Milton unorg.	123
Newry	344
North Oxford unorg.	17
Peru	1515
Roxbury	384
Rumford	6472
Sumner	854
Upton	62

District III

Ideal population	18252
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Actual population	17576
Absolute deviation from ideal	676
Relative deviation from ideal	-3.70%
Albany unorg.	401
Buckfield	1723
Greenwood	802
Hebron	1053
Otisfield	1560
Oxford	3960
Paris	4793
Stoneham	255
West Paris	1722
Woodstock	1307

PENOBSCOT

District I

Ideal population	48306
Actual population	47826
Absolute deviation from ideal	480
Relative deviation from ideal	-0.99%

Bangor	31473
Brewer	8987
Clifton	743
Eddington	2052
Holden	2827
Veazie	1744

District II

Ideal population	48306
Actual population	47247
Absolute deviation from ideal	1059
Relative deviation from ideal	-2.19%

Bradford	1186
Carmel	2416
Charleston	1397
Corinna	2145
Corinth	2511
Dexter	3890
Dixmont	1065
Etna	1012
Exeter	997
Garland	990
Glenburn	3964
Hampden	6327
Hermon	4437
Hudson	1393
Kenduskeag	1171
Levant	2171
Newburgh	1394
Newport	3017
Orrington	3526
Plymouth	1257
Stetson	981

District III

Ideal population	48306
Actual population	49846
Absolute deviation from ideal	1540
Relative deviation from ideal	3.19%

Alton	816
Argyle Unorg.	253
Bradley	1242
Burlington	351
Carroll Plantation	144
Chester	525
Drew Plantation	57
East Central Penobscot Unorg.	324
East Millinocket	1828
Edinburg	98
Enfield	1616
Greenbush	1421
Kingman Unorg.	213
Howland	1362
Lagrange	747
Lakeville	63
Lee	845
Lincoln	5221
Lowell	291
Mattawamkeag	825
Maxfield	87
Medway	1489
Milford	2950
Millinocket	5203
Mount Chase	247
North Penobscot Unorg.	443
Old Town	8130
Orono	9112
Passadumkeag	441
Patten	1111
Penobscot Reservation	562
Prentiss Unorg.	214
Seboeis Plantation	41
Springfield	379
Stacyville	405
Twombly Unorg.	2
Webster Plantation	82
Winn	420
Woodville	286

PISCATAQUIS

District I

Ideal population	5745
Actual population	6044
Absolute deviation from ideal	299
Relative deviation from ideal	5.20%

Abbot	630
Beaver Cove	91
Blanchard	83
Greenville	1623
Guilford	1531
Kingsbury plantation	9
Monson	666
Northwest Piscataquis unorg.	159
Parkman	811
Shirley	183
Wellington	258

District II

Ideal population	5745
Actual population	5754
Absolute population from ideal	9
Relative deviation from ideal	0.16%

Dover-Foxcroft	4211
Bowerbank	123
Sangerville	1270
Willimantic	135
Elliotsville	15

District III

Ideal population	5745
Actual population	5437
Absolute deviation from ideal	308
Relative deviation from ideal	-5.36%

Atkinson	323
Brownville	1259
Lakeview plantation	43
Medford	231
Milo	2383
Northeast Piscataquis unorg.	332
Sebec	612
Southeast Piscataquis unorg.	254

SAGADAHOC

District I

Ideal population	11738
Actual population	11827
Absolute deviation from ideal	89
Relative deviation from ideal	0.76%

Bowdoin	2727
Topsham	9100

District II

Ideal population	11738
Actual population	11846
Absolute deviation from ideal	108
Relative deviation from ideal	0.92%

Bowdoinham	2612
Georgetown	1020
Perkins unorg.	0
Phippsburg	2106
Richmond	3298
Woolwich	2810

District III

Ideal population	11738
Actual population	11541
Absolute deviation from ideal	-197
Relative deviation from ideal	-1.68%

Arrowsic	477
Bath	9266
West Bath	1798

SOMERSET

District I

Ideal population	16963
Actual population	16902
Absolute deviation from ideal	61
Relative deviation from ideal	-0.36%

Anson	2583
Athens	847
Bingham	989
Brighton plantation	86
Cambridge	492
Caratunk	108
Central Somerset unorg.	336
Dennistown plantation	30
Embden	881
Harmony	954
Hartland	1816
Highland plantation	52
Jackman	718
Moose River	219
Moscow	577
New Portland	785
Northeast Somerset unorg.	354
Northwest somerset unorg.	46
Palmyra	1953
Pleasant Ridge plantation	83
Ripley	452
Seboomook Lake unorg.	45
St. Albans	1836
Starks	578
The Forks plantation	35
West Forks plantation	47

District II

Ideal population	16963
Actual population	16907
Absolute deviation from ideal	56
Relative deviation from ideal	-0.33%

Fairfield	6573
Madison	4523
Mercer	647
Norridgewock	3294
Smithfield	930
Solon	940

District III

Ideal population	16963
Actual population	17079
Absolute deviation from ideal	116
Relative deviation from ideal	0.68%

Canaan	2017
Cornville	1208
Detroit	816
Pittsfield	4214
Skowhegan	8824

WALDO

District I

Ideal population	12093
Actual population	11911
Absolute deviation from ideal	182
Relative deviation from ideal	-1.51%

Belfast	6381
Belmont	821
Islesboro	603
Lincolnton	2042
Northport	1331
Waldo	733

District II

Ideal population	12093
Actual population	12152
Absolute deviation from ideal	59
Relative deviation from ideal	0.49%

Frankfort	1041
Jackson	506
Monroe	882
Prospect	642
Searsport	2641
Stockton Springs	1481
Swanville	1357
Winterport	3602

District III

Ideal population	12093
Actual population	12217
Absolute deviation from ideal	124
Relative deviation from ideal	1.03%

Brooks	1022
Burnham	1142
Freedom	645
Knox	747
Liberty	927
Montville	1002
Morrill	774
Palermo	1220
Searsmont	1174
Thorndike	712
Troy	963
Unity	1889



WASHINGTON

District I

Ideal population	11314
Actual population	11274
Absolute deviation from ideal	40
Relative deviation from ideal	-0.35%

Alexander	514
Baileyville	1686
Baring	273
Beddington	29
Calais	3447
Charlotte	324
Codyville	19
Cooper	145
Crawford	108
Danforth	629
Deblois	49
Dennysville	319
Grand Lake Stream	150
Meddybemps	150
Northfield	131
Princeton	892
Robbinston	525
Tamadge	70
Topsfield	225
Vanceboro	147
Waite	105
Wesley	114
Indian Township	676
North Washington Unorg.	547

District II

Ideal population	11314
Actual population	11130
Absolute deviation from ideal	184
Relative deviation from ideal	-1.63%

Cutler	623
East Central Washington Unorg.	768
East Machias	1298
Eastport	1640
Lubec	1652
Machias	2353
Passamaquoddy Pleasant Point	640
Pembroke	879
Perry	847
Whiting	430

District III

Ideal population	11314
Actual population	11537
Absolute deviation from ideal	223
Relative deviation from ideal	1.97%

Addison	1209
Beals	618
Centerville	26
Cherryfield	1157
Columbia	459
Columaia Falls	599
Harrington	882
Jonesboro	594
Jonesport	1408
Machiasport	1160
Marshfield	494
Milbridge	1279
Roque Bluffs	264
Steuben	1126
Whitneyville	262

## YORK - 5 DISTRICTS

### District I

Ideal population	37348
Actual population	34971
Absolute deviation from ideal	2377
Relative deviation from ideal	-6.36%

Acton	2145
Berwick	6353
Buxton	7452
Cornish	1269
Hollis	4114
Lebanon	5083
Limerick	2240
Limington	3403
Newfield	1328
Parsonsfield	1584

### District II

Ideal population	37348
Actual population	38709
Absolute deviation from ideal	1361
Relative deviation from ideal	3.64%

Arundel	3571
Biddeford	20942
Kennebunk	3720
Kennebunkport	10476

### District III

Ideal population	37348
Actual population	37492
Absolute deviation from ideal	144
Relative deviation from ideal	0.39%

Dayton	1805
Lyman	3795
Old Orchard Beach	8856
Saco	16822
Waterboro	6214

### District IV

Ideal population	37348
Actual population	36593
Absolute deviation from ideal	755
Relative deviation from ideal	-2.02%

Alfred	2497
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North Berwick	4293
Sanford	20806
Shapleigh	2326
South Berwick	6671

District V

Ideal population	37348
Actual population	38977
Absolute deviation from ideal	1629
Relative deviation from ideal	4.36%

Eliot	5954
Kittery	9543
Ogunquit	1226
Wells	9400
York	12854

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## SUMMARY

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This bill repeals the current statutory county commissioner districts and enacts the districts for the county commissioners as described in the unanimous report submitted by the apportionment commission to the Clerk of the House.

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