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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 754, L.D. 1018, Bill, "An Act To Amend the Charter of the Anson Water District"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 (page 1, lines 24 to 43 and page 2, lines 1 to 5 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

Sec. 2. P&SL 1915, c. 200, §6, as amended by P&SL 2005, c. 51, §3, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Sec. 6. Board of trustees. All the affairs of the water district are managed by a board of trustees composed of 3 members, who are residents and voters in the district. Whenever the term of office of a trustee expires by the trustee's removal from the water district or otherwise, the legal voters of the water district shall elect a successor to serve for a full term of 3 years; and if any other vacancy occurs, it may be filled in like manner for the unexpired term. Nominations and elections of trustees are conducted in accordance with the laws relating to municipal elections by secret ballot according to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 2528. The annual meeting occurs at a time and place designated by the trustees. The annual meeting for the election of officers occurs at a time and place designated by the trustees. As soon as is convenient after the board of trustees has been elected, the trustees shall hold a meeting and organize by the election of a chair and clerk, adopt a corporate seal and choose a treasurer and all other needful officers and agents for the proper management of the affairs of the water district. Each member is entitled to compensation as set by the trustees for the member's services for each and every regular and special meeting of the board at which the member is in attendance. The water district, at any legal meeting of the water district called for the purpose, may adopt such bylaws and provisions, not inconsistent with the Constitution of Maine and laws of this State and of the United States, as the water district may determine expedient and necessary for the good government and regulation of the affairs of the water district, in which case, the bylaws and provisions so adopted apply to the water district as fully, to all intents and purposes, as the other provisions of this Act, subject to alterations and additions, only by a 2/3 vote of all the legal voters of the water district present and voting at a legal meeting of the water district called for the purpose.

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**Sec. 3. Current trustees.** Trustees of the Anson Water District serving on the effective date of this Act continue to serve for the terms for which they were elected.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment clarifies that nominations and elections of trustees of the Anson Water District are conducted in accordance with the laws relating to municipal elections by secret ballot according to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 2528. It also clarifies that trustees serving on the effective date of this bill continue to serve for the terms for which they were elected.