

# NINETY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

#### **No.** 72

H. P. 77 House of Representatives, January 21, 1953. Referred to Committee on Towns and Counties. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk. Presented by Mr. Gates of Millinocket by request.

## STATE OF MAINE

#### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE

#### AN ACT Relating to Items of Business in Millinocket Town Meetings.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1943, c. 40, § 3, amended. Section 3 of chapter 40 of the private and special laws of 1943 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 3. Items of business. At the annual town meeting, the 1st item of business shall be the election of a moderator. The 2nd item of business shall be the election of officers as herein provided and all balloting must be completed and the votes counted before further business is taken up by the meetings. The last item of business shall be the election of officers as herein provided.'

Sec. 2. Referendum. This act shall take effect as provided in the constitution of the state only for the purpose of permitting its acceptance or rejection by the qualified voters of said town of Millinocket at a town meeting to be called and held upon any day, exclusive of Sunday, between September I, A. D. 1953 and October 31, A. D. 1953, both days inclusive, called for that purpose by an appropriate article inserted in the call for said meeting. The vote shall be by Australian ballot and for the purpose of balloting on this question, the polls shall be opened at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and shall remain open until 7 o'clock in the afternoon. The vote shall be taken by ballot at said election in answer to the question: "Shall an act passed by the legislature in the year 1953, entitled 'An Act Relating to Items of Business in Millinocket Town Meetings' be accepted?" which shall be printed on the official ballots and at said election the voters of said town in favor of accepting this act shall vote "Yes" and those opposed shall vote "No." The result in said town shall be declared by the selectmen of the town of Millinocket and due certificate thereof filed by the town clerk with the secretary of state. This act shall take effect for all the purposes thereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act at said meeting equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for governor in said town at the next previous gubernatorial election.