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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

**AN ACT Relating to Election of Members of School Board in Town of
Camden.**

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

P. & S. L., 1927, c. 101, § 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 101 of the private and special laws of 1927, as amended by section 1 of chapter 82 of the private and special laws of 1951, is hereby further amended to read as follows :

'Sec. 2. Officers to be elected. At such meetings as provided in section 1, the voters shall then choose by ballot as provided by chapter 80 of the revised statutes of 1944, 5 inhabitants of said town to be selectmen and overseers of the poor, and assessors of taxes, 1 for a term of 1 year, 2 for a term of 2 years, and 2 for a term of 3 years, and thereafter at each of said annual meetings shall elect to said board of selectmen, overseers of the poor, and assessors of taxes, for a term of 3 years each, a sufficient number of the inhabitants of said town to maintain the membership of said board at 5 in number; a treasurer, collector of taxes, clerk, auditor of accounts, and ~~3~~ 5 members of the school board, ~~† for a term of † year, † for a term of 2 years, and † for a term of 3 years and thereafter, at each of said annual meetings, shall elect † said member of the school board for a term of 3 years~~ as follows: the 2 members of the presently existing school

board whose terms do not expire at the next annual town meeting shall serve out their unexpired terms, and there shall be elected, in addition thereto 1 member for a term of 1 year, 1 member for a term of 2 years and 1 member for a term of 3 years, the member-elect who shall receive the largest number of votes cast shall hold office for 3 years, the member-elect who shall receive the 2nd largest number of votes cast shall hold office for 2 years, and the member-elect who shall receive the 3rd largest number of votes cast shall hold office for 1 year, and thereafter at each of said annual meetings shall elect to said school board, for a term of 3 years each, a sufficient number of the inhabitants of said town to maintain the membership of said board at 5 in number. The members of the school board elected as herein provided shall meet within 24 hours after their election and shall choose by written ballot one of their number to be chairman. All other necessary town officers, including a town manager, shall be appointed as herein provided.'

Referendum; effective date; certificate to secretary of state. This act shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the town of Camden at the next regular town meeting, or at a special town meeting to be held not later than 6 months after the effective date of this act. The town clerk shall prepare the required ballots on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall An Act Relating to Election of Members of School Board in Town of Camden, passed by the 96th legislature, be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof 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 acceptance of this act equals or exceed 30% of the total vote cast for all candidates for governor in said town at the next previous gubernatorial election. The result of said vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the town of Camden and due certificate thereof filed by the town clerk with the secretary of state.