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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Maxwell of Winthrop.

## STATE OF MAINE

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

#### AN ACT Relating to the Election of Trustees of the Winthrop Water District.

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

**P. & S. L., 1923, c. 98, § 9, repealed and replaced.** Section 9 of chapter 98 of the private and special laws of 1923 is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 9. Board of trustees; election; terms of office and compensation; report. All the affairs of said water district shall be managed by a board of trustees composed of 5 members, who shall be residents of the town of Winthrop and users of the service provided by said district or one of the principal officers of a corporate user of said service, but none of the selectmen of the town of Winthrop shall be trustees. The present trustees of the Winthrop Water District shall continue as trustees of said water district and shall hold office until their successors are duly elected or appointed. At the next annual town meeting after the effective date of this amendment, 5 trustees shall be elected, one for one year, one for 2 years, one for 3 years, one for 4 years and one for 5 years; and thereafter at each annual town meeting one trustee shall be elected for a term of 5 years. Each trustee shall receive in full compensation for his services an allowance of \$100 per year, unless otherwise prescribed by said water district at any legal meeting. As soon as convenient after their election, said trustees shall hold a meeting in the town of Winthrop and organize by the election of a president and clerk, choose a treasurer, and when necessary all other needful officers and agents, who, with the treasurer shall serve at their pleasure and whose compensation shall be fixed by said trustees. When a vacancy occurs in the office of president, treasurer or clerk, it shall be filled promptly by the board

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of trustees. When any trustee ceases to be a resident of said town or ceases to be a user of the service provided by said district or one of the principal officers of a corporate user of said service, or becomes incapacitated, resigns or dies, his office shall become vacated and shall be filled for the remaining term thereof by appointment by the selectmen of the town of Winthrop. The trustees may also ordain and establish such by-laws as are necessary for their own convenience and the proper management of the affairs of said district, and adopt a corporate seal. Said trustees may procure an office and incur such expenses as may be necessary. The treasurer shall furnish bond in such sum and with such sureties as the trustees may approve, and the bond premium shall be paid from funds of the district. Members of the board of trustees shall be eligible to any office under the board. All books and accounts shall be kept by or under the direction of said board of trustees, who shall report the financial condition of the district and the doings of the board at each annual town meeting of the town of Winthrop.'