

## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 99th LEGISLATURE

## COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 315, L. D. 462, Bill, "An Act to Incorporate the Eastport Water District."

Amend said Bill by adding after "Sec. 7" 2 new sections, to be numbered 7-A and 7-B, to read as follows:

'Sec. 7-A. Annual meeting of district; qualification of voters of district. After the acceptance of this charter and the organization of the board, the annual meeting of the district shall be held within the district on the first Monday of each March, at such hour and place as may be designated by resolution of the board of trustees as provided in the by-laws. Notice thereof, signed by the chairman or clerk of the board, shall be conspicuously posted in 2 public places within the district, not less than 7 days before the meeting. Special meetings may be called by the board in like manner at any time, and notice of special meetings shall state the business to be transacted thereat. 25 qualified voters shall constitute a quorum. If for any reason a legally sufficient annual meeting is not held on the above date, a special meeting in lieu thereof may be called in like manner to be held within 3 months from said date. A complete report of the doings of the district shall be rendered at such annual meeting by the board of trustees, including a financial report.

All persons resident in said district and qualified to vote for Governor under the laws of this State shall be entitled to vote in any meeting of the district, including the meeting for acceptance of this charter.

<u>Sec. 7-B.</u> Trustees granted certain powers of selectmen. After the meeting of the voters of the district for acceptance of this charter, and after the organization of the board under section 7, the trustees shall have the same powers and perform the same duties as otherwise are exercised and performed by the selectmen of towns in correcting and preparing lists of the persons qualified to vote in said district, and for that purpose they shall be in session at the place designated for holding the meeting between the hours of 10 o'clock in the forenoon and 12 o'clock noon on the secular day next before the date of every meeting, and also 2 hours before the opening of the meeting. All meetings of the district shall be presided over by a moderator chosen in the same manner and with the same authority as moderators of town meetings.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of "Sec. 13" and inserting in place thereof the following:

'<u>Sec. 13.</u> Property tax. The property of said district shall be exempt from all taxation in the City of Eastport and Quoddy Village, but shall be subject to municipal taxation in the Town of Perry.'

Reported by the Committee on Public Utilities.

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