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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
99th LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 426, L.D. 481, Bill, "An Act to Create A
Mount Desert Island Regional School District."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the Emergency Clause and
inserting in place thereof the following:

Emergency Clause; effective date; referendum; certificates to
Secretary of State. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble,
this act shall take effect when approved only for the purpose of
permitting the submission to the legal voters within each of the
towns of Bar Harbor, Mount Desert, Southwest Harbor and Tremont
present and voting at an annual town meeting or at a special town
meeting held for the purpose by the said towns, respectively. This
act shall be so submitted not later than 90 days after such approval.
In the event a special town meeting shall be called for the purpose
of accepting this act, it shall be called, advertised and conducted
according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided,
however, that the municipal officers in the respective towns shall
not be required to prepare for posting or the town clerk to post a
new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters,
said municipal officers shall be in session in their respective
towns 1 hour preceding such town meetings. The town clerks in the
respective towns shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the
following question: "Shall the Act to Create the Mount Desert Island
Regional School District (to be composed of the Towns of Bar Harbor,
Mount Desert, South West Harbor and Tremont) passed by the 99th
Legislature be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross
or a check mark placed against the words "yes" or "no" on a ballot,
their opinion of the same. This act shall take effect for all pur-
poses hereof after its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters
voting on the question at town meetings in each of the four above-
named towns or as hereinafter provided.

This act may again be submitted for acceptance prior to January
1, 1961 in such of the four said towns which may fail to accept said
act when originally submitted and said act shall take effect for all
purposes upon acceptance in all of the four towns, as aforesaid,
provided that the act shall not have in the meanwhile been submitted
for acceptance in any town under the following paragraph.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 14,
this act shall become effective for all purposes after its accept-
ance by a majority of the legal voters at town meetings held not
earlier than 91 days after approval of this act by the Governor
in any two or more of the four of the above named towns voting on
the question which question shall be as set forth above except that
the question shall include only the names of the towns in which the
act is then being submitted for acceptance and which would originally
comprise the District if the act is accepted in each such town.

The results of all votes to accept or to withdraw acceptance of
this act in said towns shall be declared by the municipal officers
of the towns of Bar Harbor, Mount Desert, Southwest Harbor, and
Tremont and returns filed by the town clerks with the Secretary of
State but unless this act shall have been accepted as hereinbefore
provided so as to become effective for all purposes before January 1,
1961, it shall be void and of no effect.

Filed by Mr. Graves of Mount Desert.