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STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE**

AN ACT to Authorize the Municipalities of Farmingdale and Hallowell to Form a School Administrative District and the Municipalities of Bingham, Caratunk Plt., Moscow, The Forks Plt., and West Forks Plt. to Form a School Administrative District.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, a thorough study of school conditions and educational needs has been made by the municipalities; and

Whereas, there is need for safe and adequate school facilities in these areas; and

Whereas, by consolidation of these educational functions of these municipalities, the school programs can be improved and safe and adequate plant facilities could be constructed more economically; and

Whereas, it is not possible to meet the minimum requirement of 300 resident pupils in grades 9 through 12 in these areas; and

Whereas, the Maine School District Commission cannot approve the formation of these areas as districts under the criteria set out in the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 41, section III-E; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Farmingdale and Hallowell authorized to form a school administra-

tive district. The municipalities of Farmingdale and Hallowell are exempted from the limitations provided in the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 41, section 111-E, and the Maine School District Commission is authorized to proceed pursuant to sections 111-F to 111-U of said chapter 41 to take the necessary action to allow the municipalities of Farmingdale and Hallowell to form a school administrative district.

Nothing contained herein shall be construed to limit the number of times that the above-named municipalities may make application to the Maine School District Commission, nor shall the authority granted to the Maine School District Commission under this section be limited to any specified number of times for the commission to authorize the above-named municipalities to act on the formation of a school administrative district.

Sec. 2. School administrative district for Bingham, Caratunk Plt., etc. authorized. The municipalities of Bingham, Caratunk Plt., Moscow, The Forks Plt., and West Forks Plt. are exempted from the limitations provided in the Revised Statutes of 1954, chapter 41, section 111-E, as amended, and the Maine School District Commission is authorized to proceed pursuant to sections 111-F to 111-U of said chapter 41, to take the necessary action to allow the municipalities of Bingham, Caratunk Plt., Moscow, The Forks Plt. and West Forks Plt. to form a school administrative district.

Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to limit the number of times that the within-named municipalities may make application to the Maine School District Commission, nor shall the authority heretofore granted to the Maine School District Commission under this section be limited to any specified number of times for the commission to authorize the within-named municipalities to act on the formation of a school administrative district.

Sec. 3. Time limitation. The authority granted under this act shall not extend beyond December 15, 1960.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.