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### STATE OF MAINE

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 403, L. D. 1171, Bill, "An Act to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Public Laws."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of that part designated "Sec. 26-C." of section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

**'Sec. 26-C. State song. The official song of the State shall be the song entitled "State of Maine Song," words and music by Roger Vinton Snow. (Resolves, 1937, c. 39.)'**

Further amend said Bill by adding after section 2 thereof, the following section:

**'Sec. 2-A. R. S., c. 5, §§ 29-32, repealed. Sections 29 to 32 of chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes are repealed.'**

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of section 5 and inserting in place thereof the following sections:

**'Sec. 5. R. S., c. 16, § 115, amended. Section 115 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 10 of chapter 397 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended by adding at the end a new sentence, as follows:**

**'Apportionments of less than \$1 under this section shall accrue to the State, and no payment of less than \$1 shall be made to any city or town.'**

**Sec. 5-A. R. S., c. 16, § 127, amended. Section 127 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end a new sentence, as follows:**

**'Apportionments of less than \$1 under this section shall accrue to the State, and no payment of less than \$1 shall be made to any city or town.'**

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of sections 7, 15, 17 and 33.

Further amend said Bill by adding after section 36 thereof, the following section:

**“Sec. 36-A. R. S., c. 61, § 1, amended.** The 15th paragraph of section 1 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes, which defines “Liquor,” is amended to read as follows:

‘“Liquor” shall mean and include any alcoholic, spirituous, vinous, fermented or other alcoholic beverage, or combination of liquors and mixed liquors, intended for human consumption, which contains more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1% of alcohol by volume.’”

Further amend said Bill by adding after section 45, the following section:

**‘Sec. 45-A. R. S., c. 137, § 20-A, renumbered.** Section 20-A of chapter 137 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 78 of the public laws of 1959, is renumbered to be 20-B.’

Further amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof the following sections:

**“Sec. 53. P. L., 1959, c. 116, repealed; limitation.** Chapter 116 of the public laws of 1959, heretofore passed by this Legislature, amending sections 115 and 127 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, is repealed and shall not be printed as part of the session laws of 1959.

**Sec. 54. P. L., 1959, c. 137, repealed; limitation.** Chapter 137 of the public laws of 1959, heretofore passed by this Legislature, amending section 1 of chapter 61 of the Revised Statutes, is repealed and shall not be printed as part of the session laws of 1959.

**Sec. 55. P. & S. L., 1959, c. 12, § 1, amended.** The next to the last sentence of section 1 of chapter 12 of the private and special laws of 1959 is amended to read as follows:

‘For the purpose of this act, the word “school” is defined to mean grades 9 to 12, inclusive, and the words “participating town” are defined to mean a town that has voted to accept this act pursuant to section ~~11~~ 13 hereof and a town that has been accepted as a participating town pursuant to section ~~11~~ 13 hereof.’

**Sec. 56. P. & S. L., 1959, c. 12, § 2, amended.** The 2nd and 7th sentences of section 2 of chapter 12 of the private and special laws of 1959 are amended to read as follows:

‘Immediately after this act has become effective as provided in section ~~11~~ 13, the municipal officers of each participating town shall appoint 3 persons resident in such town to be the original trustees of the Mount Desert Island Regional School District.’

‘The said board shall at its first meeting, and annually in April thereafter, choose by ballot from its membership a chairman and a treasurer ~~both to serve without compensation.~~’

**Sec. 57. P. & S. L., 1959, c. 12, § 4, amended.** The 5th paragraph of section 4 of chapter 12 of the private and special laws of 1959 is amended to read as follows:

'The Regional School Committee shall, at its first meeting, to be held as soon as convenient after the district is adopted by any ~~3~~ **2 or more** of the above-named towns, and annually in April thereafter, choose by ballot from its membership a chairman and a secretary.'

**Sec. 58. P. & S. L., 1959, c. 12, § 10, amended.** The last 2 paragraphs of section 10 of chapter 12 of the private and special laws of 1959 are amended to read as follows:

'The trustees shall appoint a resident of said district to make and keep a voting list of all residents in the district eligible to vote. This person shall be known as the registration clerk. The registration clerk shall compile his voting list from the voting lists of all the participating towns. At least 14 days before any meeting, the registration clerk shall bring his voting list up to date by comparing his list with the official voting lists in the participating towns and by making such additions and deletions as he finds necessary. No additions or deletions shall be made in the 14-day period prior to said meeting. A quorum at any district meeting shall consist of not less than 10 voters of the district, **provided at least one voter is present from each of the participating towns.**

If for any reason a legally sufficient annual meeting is not held on the date provided above, a meeting in lieu thereof may be called in like manner to be held within one month from said date. Every person resident in said district and qualified to vote for Governor in the town in which he resides shall be entitled to vote in any meeting of the district ~~provided at least one voter is present from each of the participating towns.~~

**Sec. 59. P. & S. L., 1959, c. 12, § 10-A, amended.** The 3rd paragraph of section 10-A of chapter 12 of the private and special laws of 1959 is amended to read as follows:

'No appropriation shall be made for operating expense at any special meeting for any purpose not approved by the Regional ~~District~~ **School** Committee or in excess of the amount approved by said committee. In cases arising during the fiscal year following the adoption of an operating budget where changes occur which make it unnecessary to use the amount appropriated for a specific purpose, an unexpended balance may be transferred by the Regional ~~District~~ **School** Committee from one appropriation to another, provided the total amount expended for all purposes does not exceed the total amount appropriated in the operating budget for all purposes.'

**Sec. 60. P. & S. L., 1959, c. 12, referendum, amended.** The 3rd paragraph of the referendum of chapter 12 of the private and special laws of 1959 is amended to read as follows:

'Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of ~~this section~~ ~~11~~ **13**, this act shall become effective for all purposes after its acceptance 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 2 or more of the 4 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.'

**Sec. 61. Allocation for Highway Safety Committee.** There is allocated from the General Highway Fund for personal services of the executive secretary of the Highway Safety Committee the sum of \$5,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1960 and \$5,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1961."

Further amend said Bill by renumbering the sections of said Bill to read consecutively.