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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

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the adjournment of the legislature only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the territory within the limits of the before-defined district at any regular election or at any special election called and held for that purpose, or at any election called for the purpose of voting upon any state referendum. Such election shall be called, advertised and conducted, not later than 2 years after the effective date of this act, according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the board of registration in said city of Gardiner shall not be required to prepare for posting, nor the city clerk to post, a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters, said board shall be in session the 3 secular days next preceding such election, the first 2 days thereof to be devoted to registration of voters, and the last day to enable the board to verify the corrections of said lists and to complete and close up their records of said sessions. The city clerk shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall the act relating to Gardiner Water District be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed over the words, "Yes" or "No", their opinion of the same. If a majority of the votes cast by the legal voters of said territory are in favor of the acceptance of this act, this act shall take full effect; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act at said election equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for governor in said city at the next previous gubernatorial election. The result in said district shall be declared by the municipal officers of the city of Gardiner and due certificate filed by the city clerk with the secretary of state.

Effective August 20, 1951

Chapter 154

AN ACT Amending the Charter of the Town of Fort Fairfield Relating to the Number of Councillors.

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

P. & S. L., 1943, c. 5, § 2, repealed and replaced. Section 2 of chapter 5 of the private and special laws of 1943 is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

“Sec. 2. Election of officers. At such annual town meetings, the voters shall elect by ballot, as hereinafter provided, persons who are qualified to

vote in said town to be known as councillors, a member or members of the library trustees for a term of 5 years, a member or members of the superintending school committee in accordance with the revised statutes of 1944 and amendments thereto, and a town clerk.

Said councillors shall be 5 in number and shall be elected as follows:

I. At the next annual town meeting to be held in March 1952, 2 councillors shall be elected for a term of 3 years, 2 councillors for a term of 2 years and 1 councillor for a term of 1 year, and thereafter the annual vacancies in the office of town councillor caused by the expiration of terms shall be filled for terms of 3 years. Vacancies that occur in the office of town councillor due to death, resignation or other causes shall be filled for the unexpired term at the next annual town meeting or at a special town meeting called for that purpose.'

Referendum; effective date. This act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of this legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of said town at any special election called and held for that purpose, or at any election called for the purpose of voting upon any state referendum. Such election shall be held not later than 1 year after the effective date of this act and shall be called, advertised, and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the board of registration of said town shall not be required to prepare for posting, nor the town clerk to post, a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters, said board shall be in session 1 hour preceding such election. The town clerk shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall the act Amending the Charter of the Town of Fort Fairfield Relating to the Number of Councillors, be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed over the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. The result in said town shall be declared by the municipal officers of the town of Fort Fairfield and due certificate thereof filed by the town clerk with the secretary of state. This act shall take effect for all the purposes thereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting; provided that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act at said meeting equals or exceeds 20% of the total vote for all candidates for governor in said town at the next previous gubernatorial election.