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'Sec. 3. Board of trustees, how constituted. The board of trustees shall be composed of 9 members. Each member shall be elected for a term of 3 years and until his successor is elected and qualified. At the first election of members of the board of trustees after the adoption of this amendment, 9 members shall be elected; the 3 members-elect who shall receive the largest number of votes cast shall hold office for 3 years, the 3 members-elect who shall receive the 2nd largest number of votes cast shall hold office for 2 years and the 3 members-elect who shall receive the 3rd largest number of votes cast shall hold office for I year. They shall immediately organize by the election from their own membership of a president, clerk and treasurer, adopt a corporate seal and may employ all needful officers and agents for the proper conduct and management of the affairs of the district and annually thereafter at the beginning of each municipal year the trustees shall organize as hereinbefore provided. At the close of each fiscal year the trustees shall make a detailed report of their doings, of the financial condition of said district and the physical condition of said school building or buildings, and also such other matters and things pertaining to said district as shall show the inhabitants thereof how said trustees are fulfilling the duties and obligations of their trust, said reports to be made, attested to and filed with the municipal officers of said town.'

Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State. This act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of the 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 I 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 I hour preceding such election. The town clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall the Act Relating to Board of Trustees of Fort Fairfield School District, passed by the 98th Legislature, be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. 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.

The result of the vote 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.

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 76

AN ACT Relating to Purposes of Knox County General Hospital.

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

P. & S. L., 1903, c. 99, § 2, repealed and replaced. Section 2 of chapter 99 of the private and special laws of 1903, as amended by chapter 46 of the private and special laws of 1953, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 2. Purposes. The purposes of the said corporation are to operate and maintain a general hospital within Knox County for the care of persons suffering from illness or disabilities which require that they receive hospital care; to carry on in connection therewith any educational activity or scientific research related to the care of the sick and injured which, in the opinion of its board of trustees, is warranted by the facilities, funds or other requirements that are, or can be made, available; to participate in any activity designed to promote the general health of the community, except that it shall not be its purpose to engage in dissemination of propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation; to acquire by purchase, gift, devise or otherwise, lease, mortgage, encumber, sell and dispose of real and personal property of any class or description, and any rights or privileges therein; to carry on any other lawful activity in connection therewith which is calculated, directly or indirectly, to advance the interests of the corporation, or enhance the value of its property, so long as no part of its net earnings will inure to the benefit of any incorporator, trustee, officer or individual.'

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 77

AN ACT to Incorporate the Town of Fairfield School District.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the present buildings which house the schools of the Town of Fairfield are overcrowded and inadequate; and

Whereas, it is imperative that action be taken at the earliest possible moment to relieve these conditions; and

Whereas, the overcrowded and antiquated conditions of the schools are detrimental to the public welfare; and

Whereas, new building construction is vitally necessary; and

Whereas, the borrowing capacity of the Town of Fairfield will not allow it to borrow sufficient funds for necessary construction and equipment; 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. Incorporation; name; purposes. Subject to the provisions of this act, the inhabitants of and the territory within the Town of Fairfield are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name of "Town of Fairfield School District" for the following purposes for the benefit of the inhabitants of the District:
 - I. To acquire property within the Town for school and related facilities.