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"Shall 'An Act to Annex the Town of Otisfield to Oxford County,' as passed by the 108th Legislature, be accepted?"

The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the question.

The results of the vote in Oxford County shall be declared by the Oxford County Board of Commissioners and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the county clerk with the Secretary of State.

This Act shall be deemed approved by Oxford County upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters at that election; provided the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act equals or exceeds 20% of the total votes for all candidates for Governor cast in the next previous gubernatorial election in Oxford County.

If the Town of Otisfield and the County of Oxford approve this Act, the Act shall become effective July 1, 1978.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 11

AN ACT Eliminating the Requirement of January Annual Meetings by the Parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Churches of the Diocese of Maine.

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

- Sec. 1. P & SL 1869, c. 180, § 2, as last amended by P & SL 1921, c. 22, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
- Sec. 2. Meetings shall be held at such time as parish shall designate. Said agreement shall also contain, first, the name or title by which the parish shall be known, which shall be as follows, namely: The rector, wardens and vestrymen of church in ; but no parish shall be organized in any town or city, bearing the same name with any other Protestant Episcopal church already organized therein; second, the town or city and county in which it is located; third, the number of vestrymen, not exceeding eleven, and the time of the annual meeting, which shall be at such time as such parish shall designate.
- Sec. 2. P & SL 1869, c. 180, § 7, as last amended by P & SL 1921, c. 22, § 2, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:
- Sec. 7. Meetings to be held at such time as parish shall designate. The annual meeting shall take place at such time as such parish shall designate, and at such annual meeting an election of the requisite number of wardens and vestrymen shall be had, to serve until the next annual meeting, and until their successors shall be chosen.

Sec. 3. P & SL 1869, c. 180, § 13, as last amended by P & SL 1921, c. 22, § 3, is further amended to read:

Sec. 13. Amended to conform with change in date of annual meeting. Upon such execution, acknowledgment and recording of such agreement, such parish shall, without further action, be deemed to all intents and purposes reorganized, and all rights of property and of contract shall remain unimpaired, and the corporate identity of such parish shall continue unchanged. The wardens and vestrymen in office shall continue therein until the annual election in January next following such reorganization, and until a new board shall be chosen, and no other meeting or notice shall be necessary to complete such reorganization; provided, that when a new board shall be chosen, it shall consist of the number of vestrymen required by such articles of reorganization.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 12

AN ACT Relating to Incorporation of the Officers and Members of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine.

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

P&SL 1822, c. 89, § 1, as last amended by P&SL 1935, c. 20, is further amended to read:

Sec. 1. Persons incorporated; powers; may hold real and personal estate, etc. Charles Fox, Robert P. Dunlap, Lawrence Sprague, Erastus Foote, Joseph M. Gerrish, James Loring Child, Jonathan Greenleaf, Gideon W. Olney, William P. Davis, with their associates and successors, are incorporated into a body politic, by the name of the Officers and Members of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine; with power to sue and be sued; to have a common seal, and to change the same; to make any by-laws for the management of their affairs, not repugnant to the laws of this State, nor to ancient masonic usages; to take and hold for charitable and benevolent uses, any real estate to the value of \$50,000 \$200,000, and any personal estate to the value of \$500,000; and give and grant, or bargain and sell the same; and with all the privileges usually granted to other societies instituted for purposes of charity and beneficence.

Effective October 24, 1977

CHAPTER 13

AN ACT Relating to Conferring Degrees by Husson College.