

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**Sec. 2. Initial appointments.** The terms of those persons initially appointed to the council shall be as follows: Two members appointed as holders of lobster and crab fishing licenses shall be appointed for one year, 2 for 2 years and 2 for 3 years; one member appointed as a holder of a wholesale seafood license shall be appointed for one year and one for 3 years; and the public member shall be appointed for 2 years. Thereafter, all appointments shall be as provided in this Act.

Effective September 14, 1979

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## CHAPTER 356

H. P. 238 — L. D. 284

### AN ACT to Amend the Statute Relating to Alternative Procedures for Adoption of School Budgets.

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

**Sec. 1.** 20 MRSA § 226-A, sub-§ 1, 2nd ¶, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 695, § 2, is amended to read:

“Shall District No. \_\_\_\_\_ vote to require that the voting at future district budget meetings and special district budget meetings held between July 2, 1978 and July 1, ~~1980~~ 1982, be done within each member municipality of the district?”

**Sec. 2.** 20 MRSA § 226-A, sub-§ 2, ¶ B, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 695, § 2, is amended to read:

**B.** The municipal officers of each municipality within the district shall then cause the article set out in subsection 1 to be placed on the ballots for that municipality for the next general or statewide special election occurring at least ~~40~~ 45 days after the date on which the municipal officers received the notice required under paragraph A.

**Sec. 3.** 20 MRSA § 226-A, sub-§§ 3, 4 and 5, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 695, § 2, are amended to read:

**3. Petition to commissioner.** Whenever it is determined that the voters within a School Administrative District have voted in the affirmative on the article set out in subsection 1, the board of directors shall notify the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services of that fact and shall request authorization from the commissioner to cause the voting at all future district budget meetings and special district budget meetings held between July 2, 1978 and July 1, ~~1980~~ 1982, to be done within each municipality within the district.

4. **Selection of districts for local voting.** The commissioner shall, following the receipt of requests for authorization pursuant to subsection 3, select not more than 3 School Administrative Districts from those requesting authorization. He shall then notify the boards of directors of those districts that they are authorized to cause the voting at all future district budget meetings and special district budget meetings held between July 2, 1978 and July 1, ~~1980~~ 1982, to be done within each municipality within the district.

5. **Procedure for local voting.** Following notification of authorization from the commissioner pursuant to subsection 4, the board of directors of a School Administrative District shall cause the voting at all future district budget meetings and special district budget meetings held between July 2, 1978 and July 1, ~~1980~~ 1982, to be done within each municipality within the district. The voting shall be held in accordance with the procedures set out in section 225 and the board of directors may hold any informational meetings which they feel are necessary in the manner and place which they feel appropriate prior to any voting. The board of directors shall also be responsible for the form of any articles to be voted on in the municipalities, except as otherwise provided by law.

**Sec. 4. 20 MRSA § 226-A, sub-§ 7, first sentence,** as enacted by PL 1977, c. 695, § 2, is amended to read:

The board of directors of any School Administrative District authorized to vote pursuant to subsections 4 and 5 shall, no later than December 31, ~~1981~~ 1981, submit a written report to the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services containing the board's evaluation of the following items:

**Sec. 5. 20 MRSA § 226-A, sub-§ 8** as enacted by PL 1977, c. 695, § 2, is amended to read:

8. **Effective date.** This section is repealed on ~~January 1, 1981~~ January 1, 1983.

Effective September 14, 1979

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## CHAPTER 357

H. P. 1272 — L. D. 1476

**AN ACT to Provide for Oversight of Marine Research by the Department of Marine Resources.**

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

12 MRSA § 6024, sub-§ 5 is enacted to read: