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## CHAPTER 227

## S.P. 449 - L.D. 1416

**An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Hancock County Budget Advisory Committee**

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** this Act proposes necessary changes in the Hancock County budget process; and

**Whereas,** the county budget process must commence before September 15th, which is on or before the anticipated effective date of this legislation unless enacted as an emergency measure; 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. 30-A MRSA §763, sub-§1, ¶¶A and B,** as enacted by PL 1991, c. 749, §1, are amended to read:

A. Before September 15th of every year, the county commissioners shall notify all municipal officers in the county to caucus by county commissioner districts at a specified date, time and place for the purpose of electing at least one municipal officer from each district as a member of the budget advisory committee ~~except, in 1992, at least 3 municipal officers must be selected from each district.~~ The county commissioner shall serve as non-voting moderator for that district caucus. Nominations must be received from the floor. The nominee receiving the most votes is approved as a budget advisory committee member ~~except, in 1992, each caucus shall elect 3 members.~~ The names of those elected by the caucus must be recorded and forwarded to the county commissioners.

B. Budget advisory committee members serve 3-year terms ~~except, in 1992, one member from each district must be elected for a one-year term, one member for a 2-year term and one member for a 3-year term and no more than one member from each municipality may serve at a time.~~ If a budget advisory committee member ceases to be a municipal officer during the term of membership, that

committee member vacates membership and the next district caucus shall elect a qualified municipal officer to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

**Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §765,** as enacted by PL 1991, c. 749, §1, is amended to read:

**§765. Budget estimate; submission to advisory committee**

The Hancock County commissioners shall submit a budget estimate to the budget advisory committee no later than October 1st for the coming year. The budget advisory committee shall review the budget estimate and make recommendations to the commissioners before November 15th. The county commissioners shall act on the budget ~~in a timely fashion and, in any event, not~~ no later than December 15th of the budget year.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.

Effective June 2, 1993.

## CHAPTER 228

## H.P. 772 - L.D. 1045

**An Act to Amend the State Reporting Requirements for State Party Committees**

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

**Sec. 1. 21-A MRSA §1017-A, sub-§1,** as enacted by PL 1991, c. 839, §23 and affected by §33, is amended to read:

**1. Contributions.** A party committee shall report all contributions in cash or in kind from an individual contributor that in the aggregate in a campaign total ~~\$250 or more~~ than \$200. The party committee shall report the name, mailing address, occupation and place of business of each contributor. Contributions of less than ~~\$250~~ \$200 must be reported, and these contributions may be reported as a lump sum.

See title page for effective date.