

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**LAWS**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4**

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**J.S. McCarthy Company**  
**Augusta, Maine**  
**1995**

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

Section 1 of this Act takes effect for all purposes immediately upon the acceptance of the question of extension of the sewer district boundaries by a majority of the legal voters of the City of Presque Isle voting at the election, but only if the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act in the special election equals or exceeds 10% of the registered voters of the city. In the event acceptance does not occur solely due to the failure of the necessary threshold percentage of voters participating in the special election, such failure does not prevent subsequent elections.

Section 2 of this Act takes effect for all purposes immediately upon the acceptance of the question of extension of the water district boundaries by a majority of the legal voters of the City of Presque Isle voting at the election, but only if the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act in the special election equals or exceeds 10% of the registered voters of the city. In the event acceptance does not occur solely due to the failure of the necessary threshold percentage of voters participating in the special election, such failure does not prevent subsequent elections.

The results of the elections must be declared by the municipal officers of the city and due certificates thereof must be filed by the City Clerk with the Secretary of State.

Effective pending referendum.

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**CHAPTER 12**

**H.P. 128 - L.D. 176**

**An Act Relating to the Conferral of Degrees by the Research Institute for Mathematics**

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

**Sec. 1. Research Institute for Mathematics; conferring degrees.** The Research Institute for Mathematics, by appropriate action of its board of directors, may confer upon those who successfully complete such requirements as the board of directors may prescribe the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Mathematics.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 13**

**S.P. 355 - L.D. 983**

**An Act to Authorize the Towns of Mechanic Falls, Minot and Poland to Form a Community School District**

**Mandate preamble.** This measure requires one or more local units of government to expand or modify activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21, two thirds of all of the members elected to each House have determined it necessary to enact this measure.

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

**Whereas,** the school committees of the towns of Mechanic Falls, Minot and Poland have indicated a desire to form, in 1995, a community school district for the 3 towns for grades 7 to 12; and

**Whereas,** the current schools in the towns of Mechanic Falls, Minot and Poland are in need of additions; and

**Whereas,** it is in the interest of the 3 towns, which are currently providing education for grades 9 to 12 in Poland and Minot and grades 10 to 12 in Mechanic Falls, through tuition agreements that have been terminated by the receiving school starting the fall of 1996 and non-renewed, to have adequate planning and preparatory time to create a community school district; and

**Whereas,** the operational school year for the community school district, unless otherwise provided for, will begin July 1st after the organization of the community school district as required by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 1604; and

**Whereas,** it is necessary to put into operation a new community school district with a new school and to ensure an orderly transition consistent with school-year and fiscal-year requirements and statutory time limits for the conducting of local referenda and elections; 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,