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tional program and launch an ambitious annual giving and endowment campaign have dramatically increased the workload required of the existing members of the board of trustees; and

Whereas, it is necessary to expand the membership of the board of trustees as soon as possible to continue to make progress and attract the caliber of board members who are necessary to maintain Foxcroft Academy's strong academic reputation; 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. P&SL 1823, c. 185, §2 is amended to read:

Sect. 2. Trustees may remove any of their number when incapable, &c. and fill vacancies; number and quorum. That said Trustees may, at any time, remove any one of their number, whom they shall adjudge incapable of discharging such trust, and choose additional Trustees, and fill vacancies in said Board, by Ballot: Provided however, That the number of said Trustees shall, at no time, be less than nine, nor more than fifteen twenty-one; and five of whom shall constitute a quorum.

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

Effective May 15, 1997.

### CHAPTER 26

#### S.P. 210 - L.D. 669

### An Act Relating to Value of Property Held by Portland Yacht Club

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 1878, c. 69, §2, as amended by P&SL 1959, c. 7, is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 27

# H.P. 253 - L.D. 317

## An Act Relating to the State Valuation of the Town of Corinna

**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 Town of Corinna faces serious fiscal difficulties as a result of the closing of Eastland Woolen Mills and its affect on the tax base; and

Whereas, the valuation of the Town of Corinna needs to be adjusted before school subsidies, statemunicipal revenue sharing and the county tax assessment are established before June 30, 1997; 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. Modify 1997 and 1998 state valuations. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, the 1997 and 1998 state valuations for the Town of Corinna for the purposes of calculating county taxes, school subsidies and state-municipal revenue sharing must be based on a valuation that values the property of Eastland Woolen Mills in the Town of Corinna at \$0.

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

Effective May 16, 1997.