

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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**PUBLISHED BY THE REVISOR OF STATUTES**  
**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2022**

annual audit is performed by the Office of the State Auditor, the collaborative shall reimburse the department for its costs to conduct that audit.

**14. Repeal.** This section is repealed December 31, 2026.

**Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §6465, sub-§2, ¶G,** as amended by PL 2013, c. 309, §3, is further amended to read:

G. The Maine Lobster Marketing Collaborative under section ~~6455~~ 6455-A;

**Sec. 4. 29-A MRSA §456-A, sub-§3,** as amended by PL 2013, c. 309, §4, is further amended to read:

**3. Design.** The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Maine Lobster Marketing Collaborative under Title 12, section ~~6455~~ 6455-A, shall determine a design for the lobster special registration plates. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over transportation matters shall review the final design prior to manufacture of the plates. The Secretary of State shall issue upon request lobster plates that are also vanity plates. Lobster plates are issued in accordance with the provisions of this section and section 453.

**Sec. 5. PL 2021, c. 58** is repealed.

**Sec. 6. Transition.** The following provisions govern the reestablishment of the Maine Lobster Marketing Collaborative.

**1. Members, officers and executive committee members.** Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 6455-A:

A. Members of the Maine Lobster Marketing Collaborative appointed pursuant to Title 12, former section 6455, subsection 1-C serving on September 30, 2021 continue to serve until the completion of their terms. Their successors are appointed as provided in Title 12, section 6455-A, subsection 4;

B. Officers of the Maine Lobster Marketing Collaborative elected pursuant to Title 12, former section 6455, subsection 2-A serving on September 30, 2021 continue to serve until the completion of their terms. Their successors are elected as provided in Title 12, section 6455-A, subsection 5; and

C. Members of the executive committee of the Maine Lobster Marketing Collaborative appointed pursuant to Title 12, former section 6455, subsection 2-B serving on September 30, 2021 continue to serve until the completion of their terms. Their successors are appointed as provided in Title 12, section 6455-A, subsection 6.

**Sec. 7. Retroactivity.** This Act applies retroactively to October 1, 2021.

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

Effective January 5, 2022.

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## CHAPTER 492

### H.P. 651 - L.D. 895

#### An Act Regarding the Apportionment of the Franklin County Commissioner Districts

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

**Whereas,** the apportionment commission's recently submitted plan divided Franklin County into 3 county commissioner districts; and

**Whereas,** the voters of Franklin County voted in favor of dividing Franklin County into 5 county commissioner districts effective on election day in November 2024; 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 §66-C** is enacted to read:

**§66-C. Franklin County Commissioner Districts**

Franklin County is divided into districts as follows.

**1. Effective until November 5, 2024.** Until November 5, 2024, Franklin County is divided into the following 3 districts.

A. Commissioner District Number 1 consists of the minor civil divisions and unorganized territories of Carthage, Dallas Plantation, Jay, Rangeley Plantation, Sandy River Plantation, South Franklin, Weld, West Central Franklin and Wilton. The term of office of the commissioner from this district expires in 2024.

B. Commissioner District Number 2 consists of the minor civil divisions of Chesterville, Farmington and Temple. The term of office of the commissioner from this district expires in 2024.

C. Commissioner District Number 3 consists of the minor civil divisions and unorganized territories of Avon, Carrabassett Valley, Coplin Plantation, East Central Franklin, Eustis, Industry, Kingfield, New Sharon, New Vineyard, North Franklin, Phillips,

Rangeley, Strong and Wyman Township. The term of office of the commissioner from this district expires in 2022, and again in 2024.

**2. Effective November 5, 2024.** Beginning on November 5, 2024, Franklin County is divided into the following 5 districts.

A. Commissioner District Number 1 consists of the minor civil divisions of Temple and Wilton; and the following census units in the minor civil division of Farmington: Block 4029, Block 4030, Block 4031, Block 4032, Block 4033, Block 4034, Block 4035, Block 4037, Block 4038, Block 4039, Block 4040, Block 4041, Block 4042, Block 4043, Block 4044, Block 4045, Block 4046, Block 4047, Block 4048 and Block 4049 of Census Tract 9712.01; and Block 2000, Block 2001, Block 2002, Block 2003, Block 2004, Block 2005, Block 2006, Block 2007, Block 2008, Block 2009, Block 2010, Block 2011, Block 2012, Block 2013, Block 2014, Block 2015, Block 2016, Block 2017, Block 2018, Block 2019, Block 2020 and Block 2021 of Census Tract 9712.02. The term of office of the commissioner from this district expires in 2028 and every 4 years thereafter.

B. Commissioner District Number 2 consists of the following census units in the minor civil division of Farmington: Block 1000, Block 1001, Block 1002, Block 1003, Block 1004, Block 1005, Block 1006, Block 1007, Block 1008, Block 1009, Block 1010, Block 2000, Block 2001, Block 2002, Block 2003, Block 2004, Block 2005, Block 2006, Block 2007, Block 3000, Block 3001, Block 3002, Block 3003, Block 3004, Block 3005, Block 3006, Block 3007, Block 3008, Block 3009, Block 3010, Block 3011, Block 3012, Block 3013, Block 4000, Block 4001, Block 4002, Block 4003, Block 4004, Block 4005, Block 4006, Block 4007, Block 4008, Block 4009, Block 4010, Block 4011, Block 4012, Block 4013, Block 4014, Block 4015, Block 4016, Block 4017, Block 4018, Block 4019, Block 4020, Block 4021, Block 4022, Block 4023, Block 4024, Block 4025, Block 4026, Block 4027, Block 4028 and Block 4036 of Census Tract 9712.01; and Block 1000, Block 1001, Block 1002, Block 1003, Block 1004, Block 1005, Block 1006, Block 1007, Block 1008, Block 1009, Block 1010, Block 1011, Block 1012, Block 1013, Block 1014, Block 1015, Block 1016, Block 1017, Block 3000, Block 3001, Block 3002, Block 3003, Block 3004, Block 3005, Block 3006, Block 3007, Block 3008, Block 3009, Block 3010, Block 4000, Block 4001, Block 4002, Block 4003, Block 4004, Block 4005, Block 4006, Block 4007, Block 4008, Block 4009, Block 4010, Block 4011, Block 4012, Block 4013, Block 4014, Block 4015, Block 4016, Block 4017, Block 4018, Block 4019, Block 4020, Block 4021, Block 4022, Block 4023, Block 4024, Block 4025, Block 4026, Block 4027, Block 4028, Block 4029 and Block 4030 of

Census Tract 9712.02. The term of office of the commissioner from this district expires in 2028 and every 4 years thereafter.

C. Commissioner District Number 3 consists of the minor civil divisions and unorganized territories of Avon, Carthage, Coplin Plantation, Eustis, North Franklin, Phillips, Rangeley, Rangeley Plantation, Sandy River Plantation, South Franklin, Strong, Weld and West Central Franklin. The term of office of the commissioner from this district expires in 2028 and every 4 years thereafter.

D. Commissioner District Number 4 consists of the minor civil divisions and unorganized territories of Carrabassett Valley, Dallas Plantation, East Central Franklin, Industry, Kingfield, New Sharon, New Vineyard and Wyman Township. The term of office of the commissioner from this district expires in 2026 and every 4 years thereafter.

E. Commissioner District Number 5 consists of the minor civil divisions of Chesterville and Jay. The term of office of the commissioner from this district expires in 2026 and every 4 years thereafter.

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

Effective January 5, 2022.

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**CHAPTER 493**

**H.P. 1315 - L.D. 1764**

**An Act To Make a Technical Correction Concerning Maine's Earned Income Tax Credit**

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

**Whereas,** the State's earned income tax credit law needs to be corrected before the 90-day period expires to avoid a delay in the processing of income tax returns for 2021; and

**Whereas,** legislative action is immediately necessary to ensure correct administration of the State's earned income tax credit; 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:**