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House of Representatives, January 7, 2014

An Act To Amend the Anson and Madison Water District Charter

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative DUNPHY of Embden. Cosponsored by Senator WHITTEMORE of Somerset.

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

Sec. 1. P&SL 2011, c. 6, §4, sub-§3, 2nd blocked ¶, is amended to read:

When the term of office of a trustee expires, the trustee's successor is elected by a plurality vote of the voters of the Town of Madison or the Town of Anson, as applicable. For the purpose of election, a special election must be called and held on the date established by the trustees. The election must be called by the trustees of the district in the same manner as town meetings are called and, for this purpose, the trustees are vested with the powers of municipal officers of towns. A vacancy is filled in the same manner for the unexpired term by a special election called by the trustees of the district. The trustees may call a special election to fill a vacancy for an unexpired term in the same manner as special elections are called for expired terms pursuant to this paragraph, or the trustees may request the municipal officers of the town in which the vacancy occurs to appoint a trustee to fill the vacancy.

14 SUMMARY

This bill allows the trustees of the Anson and Madison Water District the option of requesting that municipal officers of the town in which a vacancy of an unexpired term on the board of trustees occurs appoint a trustee to fill the vacancy, rather than holding a special election.