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House of Representatives, April 25, 2013

### **An Act To Amend the Charter of the South Berwick Sewer District**

(AFTER DEADLINE)

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

*Millicent M. MacFarland*

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Clerk

Presented by Speaker EVES of North Berwick.

Cosponsored by Senator HILL of York and

Representative: BEAVERS of South Berwick.

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

2 **Sec. 1. P&SL 1963, c. 226, §15, 2nd ¶** is amended to read:

3 The annual meeting of ~~said the~~ district ~~shall be~~ is held on the ~~2nd~~ first Monday of  
4 March of each year at ~~such an~~ hour and place ~~as may be designated~~ determined by  
5 resolution of the board of trustees as provided in the bylaws. At the annual meeting of  
6 ~~said the~~ district, beginning with the first annual meeting after acceptance of this ~~aet~~ Act  
7 and the initial appointment of the first board of trustees, as many trustees ~~shall~~ must be  
8 elected by the district as ~~shall be~~ are necessary to fill the vacancy of those whose terms  
9 have expired. ~~They to~~ The members serve until the annual meeting of the district  
10 occurring 3 years thereafter, and until their successors are elected and qualified. When  
11 ~~any a~~ trustee ceases to be a resident of ~~said the~~ district, ~~he~~ the trustee vacates ~~his~~ the  
12 office as trustee, and if a vacancy ~~should occur~~ occurs for this reason or through death,  
13 resignation, or other means, ~~otherwise~~ other than by expiration of the trustee's term, the  
14 remaining trustees shall choose another trustee to serve until the next annual meeting  
15 when ~~such the~~ vacancy ~~shall be~~ is filled by election for the unexpired term of the trustee  
16 whose office has become vacant. All trustees, if residents of ~~said the~~ district, ~~shall be~~ are  
17 eligible for reelection or reappointment.

18 **Sec. 2. P&SL 1963, c. 226, §15, 5th ¶** is amended to read:

19 Within one week after each annual election, the trustees shall meet for the purpose of  
20 electing from ~~amongst~~ among the board of trustees a ~~chairman~~ chair, treasurer and clerk  
21 to serve for the ensuing year and until their successors are elected and qualified. The  
22 trustees from time to time may choose and employ, and fix the compensation of, any  
23 other necessary officers and agents, who ~~shall~~ serve at ~~their~~ the pleasure of the trustees.  
24 The trustee serving as treasurer shall furnish bond in such sum and with such sureties as  
25 the board may approve. Members of the board ~~shall be~~ are eligible to be elected to any  
26 office under the board. The trustees, ~~as such, shall~~ receive as compensation for their  
27 services an amount to be determined by them not to exceed ~~\$150~~ \$350 each per year,  
28 except for the ~~chairman~~ chair, who ~~shall receive~~ receives as compensation for this service  
29 an amount to be determined by the board and not to exceed ~~\$250~~ \$500 per year; but the  
30 treasurer ~~shall be~~ is allowed ~~such~~ compensation as the board ~~shall determine~~ determines.

31 **SUMMARY**

32 This bill amends the charter of the South Berwick Sewer District by changing the  
33 annual meeting to the first Monday in March instead of the 2nd Monday in March and  
34 increasing the compensation for trustees from \$150 per year to \$350 per year and the  
35 compensation for the chair from \$250 per year to \$500 per year.