STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN

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An Act To Permit Plantations To Fill Vacancies of Town Officials

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

Whereas, plantations conduct official business that must be attended to on a daily basis, mostly by a small group of officials; and

Whereas, the inability to fill a vacancy when an official is unable or unwilling to fulfill the duties required of the office directly affects the ability of the plantation to conduct its official business, which has a negative effect on the public interest and is of a direct concern to the State; 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 §7006, sub-§1, ¶B,** as enacted by PL 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 and Pt. C, §106 and amended by PL 1989, c. 6; c. 9, §2; and c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:
 - B. Laws relating to the election, appointment, hiring, qualification, <u>filling of vacancies</u>, duties, powers, compensation, liabilities and penalties for official neglect and misconduct of town officials and employees.

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