

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Second Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 97.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
EIGHTY-FIVE.

AN ACT to revise and amend the Charter of the
City of Gardiner.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
in Legislature assembled, as follows:*

SECTION 1. That section three, chapter two hun-
2 dred and eighty-one of the Private and Special Laws
3 of eighteen hundred and forty-nine, be and is hereby
4 amended in the third section thereof by striking
5 out all of said section after word "agency," in the
6 twenty-third line, and adding after said word
7 "agency" the following: '*Provided, however, the*
8 mayor may be elected by the city council as one of
9 the assessors and as an overseer of the poor, and

10 be allowed a reasonable compensation therefor;
11 but the aldermen and common councilmen shall
12 receive no compensation for their services as such.
13 Excepting as provided as above, neither the mayor
14 nor any member of the city council shall, during
15 the term for which he may be elected, be chosen to
16 the office of assessor, city marshal, chief engineer
17 of the fire department, collector of taxes, overseer
18 of the poor, street commissioner, superintending
19 school committee, or treasurer,' so that said section
20 when amended shall read as follows: •

'SECT. 3. The mayor of said city shall be the
22 chief executive magistrate thereof. It shall be his
23 duty to be vigilant and active in causing the laws
24 and regulations of the city to be extended and
25 enforced, to exercise a general supervision over the
26 conduct of all subordinate officers, and to cause
27 their violations or neglect of duty to be punished.
28 He may cause special meetings of the board of
29 aldermen and common council, or either of them,
30 when in his opinion the interests of the city require
31 it, by a notice in one or more of the papers printed
32 in the city, or by causing a summons or notification
33 to be left at the dwelling place of each member of
34 the board to be convened. He shall, from time to

35 time, communicate such information and recom-
36 mend such measures as the business interests of
37 the city may in his opinion require. He shall pre-
38 side in the board of aldermen and in the joint
39 meetings of the two boards, but shall have only a
40 casting vote. The salary and compensation of the
41 mayor shall not exceed two hundred dollars per
42 year, which shall not be increased or diminished
43 during his continuance in office, unless by a vote
44 of the qualified electors in ward meetings called for
45 that purpose. Nor shall he receive from the city
46 any other compensation for any services by him
47 rendered in any other capacity or agency; *provided,*
48 *however,* the mayor may be elected by the city
49 council as one of the assessors, and as one of the
50 overseers of the poor, and be allowed a reasonable
51 compensation therefor; but the aldermen and
52 common councilmen shall receive no compensation
53 for their service as such. Excepting as provided as
54 above, neither the mayor nor any member of the
55 city council shall, during the term for which he
56 may be elected, be chosen assessor, city marshal,
57 chief engineer of the fire department, collector of
58 taxes, overseer of the poor, street commissioner,
59 superintending school committee, or treasurer.'

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

**IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 14, 1885.**

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NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, *Clerk*