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Legislative Document

No. 1472

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-NINE

Committee Amendment "A" to H. P. 1983, L. D. 1364, Bill "An Act to Provide for a Council-Manager Form of Government for the City of Westbrook."

Amend said Bill by striking out the last section thereof and inserting in place thereof the following:

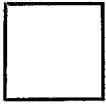
Sec. 6. Referendum; effective date. This act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of the legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission for approval or rejection to the voters of the city of Westbrook qualified to vote in municipal elections, at an election to be held on the 1st Monday in December in the year, A. D. 1949, and warrants shall be issued for such election in the manner now provided by law for the holding of municipal elections, notifying and warning the qualified voters of said city to meet in the several ward meetings in said city, there to cast their ballot concerning forms of charter for the city of Westbrook, in substantially the following form:

"FORM OF BALLOT"

Place an X in the square after the form of Charter which you select. Mark only 1 form or your ballot will not be counted.

Forms of Charter

Plan 1. Present form of charter with mayor, and city council of 13 aldermen elected annually, with party designations, to serve for 1 year.



Plan 2. City manager form providing for a city council of 7 members, 2 elected from the city at large without regard to ward lines and 1 from each ward, all without party designation.”

Otherwise, said ballot shall be in form provided by law when a constitutional amendment is submitted to the vote of the people. The provisions of law relating to the preparation of voting lists for municipal elections shall apply to such election, and such election shall in all and other respects be conducted as municipal elections are now provided by law for the determination of the election of mayor. Due certificate of the result of such election shall be filed by the city clerk with the secretary of state.

If a plurality of the valid ballots deposited as aforesaid shall favor the adoption of Plan 2 so called on said ballot, then this act shall take effect as herein provided, and the mayor shall forthwith make proclamation of the fact. If adopted by the voters of the city, this act for the purpose of nominating and electing officers hereunder shall take effect on the date of its adoption by the voters, and for all other purposes this act shall take effect on the 1st Monday in January, 1950, except that the officers elected at the annual election in December, 1948, shall continue in office until the 1st Monday in January, 1950.’