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JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Wheeler of Portland.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT** Relating to Composition and Election of Superintending School  
Committee of the City of Portland.

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

**P. & S. L., 1961, c. 194, Art. III, § 1, repealed and replaced.** Section 1 of Article III of chapter 194 of the private and special laws of 1961, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

**‘Sec. 1. Composition, election, tenure of office. The superintending school committee, hereinafter called the school committee, shall consist of 9 members. Three shall be elected at large by the registered voters of the entire city. One shall be elected from each of the 6 districts by the voters of his district.**

**They shall hold office for a term of 3 years with the following exceptions:**

**1st year—At large members to be elected, one for a one-year term; one for a 2-year term and one for a 3-year term. One each from districts 3 and 6 for a 3-year term.**

**2nd year—One at large member for a 3-year term. One each from districts 4 and 5 for a 3-year term.**

**3rd year—One at large member for a 3-year term. One each from districts 1 and 2 for a 3-year term.’**

**Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State.** This Act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of the Legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the City of Portland at the next regular municipal election therein to be held on the first Monday in December, 1965. For the purposes of such election, the city clerk shall reduce the subject

matter of this Act to the following question: "Shall 'An Act Relating to Composition and Election of Superintending School Committee of the City of Portland,' passed by the 102nd Legislature, be approved?"

The voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed within a square upon their ballots against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This Act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at such election; provided the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this Act equals or exceed 20% of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for Governor in said City at the next preceding gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the City of Portland and due certificate thereof filed by the city clerk with the Secretary of State.