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Sixty-Sixth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 211.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-THREE.

AN ACT to amend an act relating to the City Charter of Waterville.

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

Section nine of chapter one hundred and ninety-five of 2 the Private and Special Laws of the year 1887, is hereby

3 amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

'Whenever said city council shall determine to lay out,
widen or otherwise alter any public street or road, said
city council is authorized to levy an assessment upon the
real estate fronting upon the line of said street and upon
other land near said street and benefited thereby in pro-

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portion to the valuation and the benefits to be derived. 9 10 The amount of said assessment shall be fixed by the com-11 mittee of the city council authorized to lay out, widen or 12 alter said road and in their report to the city council said 13 committee shall state definitely what amount they have 14 assessed on each parcel of land or real estate giving a description of the same. In proceeding to lay out, widen 15 or alter such streets such committee shall proceed in the 16 same manner and give the same notices as are required 17 by law in laying out other roads. The report of such 18 committee shall be filed with the city clerk at least seven 19 days before action thereon by the city council. The 20 21 action of such committee shall be subject to revision and $\mathbf{22}$ change by the city council. The city clerk shall give to the person owning or in possession of said real estate at 23 least five days' notice that such assessment has been made 24 stating the amount of the same, before the action of the city 25council upon the same and a fair opportunity shall be 26 27 given to all the parties interested to be heard on said assessment before the city council before action shall be $\mathbf{28}$ taken thereon and any person aggrieved by the action of $\mathbf{29}$ the city council shall have the right to appeal and 30 31 be heard in court in the same manner as provided by law for appeals and hearings in cases of damages for land 32 **3**3 taken for highways. Said assessment shall constitute a 34 lien on said real estate which shall continue in force for 35one year after final action on said assessment either by 36 said city council or by way of proceedings on appeal. 37 The assessment so made shall within three months after
38 said final action thereon be committed to the collector of
39 taxes and he shall proceed to collect the same in the same
40 manner and by the same means as now provided by law for
41 collection of taxes on real estate.'

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House of Representatives, February 27, 1893.

Reported by Mr. BROWN of Waterville, from Committee on Judiciary, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.