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# Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 32.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to amend the charter of the city of Westbrook.

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

Section 1. Chapter four hundred and eighty-six of the  
2 private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-  
3 nine, entitled, "An Act to incorporate the city of West-  
4 brook," is hereby amended according to the provisions of  
5 the following sections:

Sect. 2. The general management and control of the pub-  
2 lic schools and of the school property, including school  
3 buildings and grounds, in said city, shall continue to be  
4 vested in a school committee to consist of seven members,  
5 instead of ten as provided in said act. Said school com-

6 mittee shall be elected by ballot by a plurality of the votes  
7 given, two members from the citizens at large by the legal  
8 voters of the city voting in their respective wards; and of  
9 the other five members, one shall be elected by each ward,  
10 being an inhabitant of the ward where elected. They shall  
11 hold their offices for the term of three years from the second  
12 Monday in March, and until others are elected and qualified  
13 in their places, except as hereinafter provided. At the  
14 annual election in March, eighteen hundred and ninety-  
15 eight, said school committee shall be elected as follows: one  
16 member from ward one and one member from the citizens  
17 at large, for one year; one member each from wards two  
18 and five, for two years; one member each from wards three  
19 and four, and one member from the citizens at large, for  
20 three years; and as these terms expire the subsequent elec-  
21 tions shall be for the full term of three years as above pro-  
22 vided. All vacancies occurring in the school committee by  
23 death, resignation or removal from the city, shall be filled by  
24 appointment for the unexpired term, by the remaining mem-  
25 bers; and if any such vacancy shall occur by the death, resig-  
26 nation or removal from the city of a member elected by a  
27 ward, the same shall be filled from the ward where it occurs.

Sect. 3. If, from any cause, there shall be a vacancy in the  
2 office of warden or ward clerk in any of the wards of the city,  
3 the same shall be filled by appointment by the mayor for the  
4 unexpired term.

Sect. 4. A vacancy occurring in the city council by the  
2 death, resignation or removal from the city of any member

3 thereof, shall be filled for the unexpired term by a plurality  
4 vote of the remaining members, voting by roll-call. And if  
5 such vacancy be occasioned by the death, resignation or  
6 removal from the city of a member elected by a ward, the  
7 same shall be filled from the ward where it occurs.

Sect. 5. All provisions of the act hereby amended which  
2 are inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sect. 6. So far as relates to the number of the school  
2 committee and the manner of their election, this act shall  
3 take effect March one, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight;  
4 otherwise it shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

February 3, 1897.

Reported by Mr. BOYNTON of Sullivan, from Committee on Legal  
Affairs, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*