

Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 10.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to fix the term of office of the police officers of the city of Auburn.

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

Section 1. The city marshal, deputy marshal, and police 2 officers of the city of Auburn shall hereafter be appointed by 3 the mayor, by and with the advice and consent of the alder-4 men, in March or April. The city marshal shall hold his 5 office for the term of two years, and the remainder of the 6 police force shall hold their office for the term of three years, 7 ending on the last day of March; provided that, in the year 8 1897, one-third of the police force, as near as may be, shall 9 be appointed for the term of three years, one-third, as near as 10 may be, for the term of two years, and one-third, as near as

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11 may be, for the term of one year. Any vacancy shall be
12 filled for the remainder of the unexpired term. Whenever
13 the police force is increased, the new appointmnts shall be
14 made for such terms that the term of office of one-third of
15 the entire force, as near as may be, shall expire each year.

Sect. 2. The mayor may suspend any police officer until 2 the next meeting of the mayor and aldermen. Any officer, 3 after notice and hearing, may be removed by the mayor, by 4 and with the consent and advice of the aldermen, for insub-5 ordination, inefficiency, neglect of duty, or other reasonable 6 cause.

Sect. 3. The mayor, by and with the advice and consent 2 of the aldermen, may from time to time appoint special police 3 officers, as occasion may require, define their duties and fix 4 their compensation, and they shall hold office during the 5 pleasure of the mayor and aldermen.

Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

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IN SENATE, January 22, 1897.

Reported by Mr. SAVAGE from the Committee on the Judiciary, and laid on table to be priuted under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.