

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 12.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to create a Board of Overseers of the Poor and  
Workhouse for the city of Portland.

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

Section 1. The board of overseers of the poor and work-  
2 house for the city of Portland shall consist of three mem-  
3 bers. On the first Monday following the inauguration of  
4 the mayor, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hun-  
5 dred and ninety-nine, or as soon thereafter as may be, the  
6 mayor shall appoint, subject to the approval of the board of  
7 aldermen, three suitable persons to be overseers of the poor  
8 and workhouse for the city of Portland, one of whom shall  
9 serve for three years, one for two years, and one for one year  
10 from the third Monday of March in the year of their appoint-

11 ment, or until their successors are appointed and qualified,  
12 and every year thereafter the mayor shall appoint an overseer  
13 of the poor and workhouse to serve for the term of three  
14 years beginning with the third Monday of March in the year  
15 of such appointment. Not more than two of the members  
16 of said board, at any one time, shall belong to the same  
17 political party. Whenever a vacancy occurs in said board  
18 the same shall be filled for the rest of said term in the man-  
19 ner of the original appointment and shall be made within  
20 thirty days after such vacancy occurs.

Sect. 2. The mayor may, two-thirds of the board of alder-  
2 men consenting, remove for sufficient cause any member of  
3 the board of overseers after a full and fair investigation in  
4 which said overseer shall have the right to be heard in defense.

Sect. 3. No person holding an office of any kind under  
2 said city of Portland, shall be eligible for appointment on  
3 said board, neither shall a member during his term of service  
4 furnish directly, or indirectly, or be instrumental in any way,  
5 in furnishing supplies for any branch of the pauper depart-  
6 ment of the city of Portland.

Sect. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act  
2 are hereby repealed.



STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, January 25, 1899.

Tabled pending reference to Committee, by Mr. CHASE of Portland,  
and ordered printed.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*