

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 306

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend the Charter of the City of Westbrook.

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

Section 1. Chapter three hundred and forty-six of the
2 Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-
3 seven, is hereby amended by adding the following words to
4 the second section thereof: 'Said school committee may
5 effect such insurance upon the school buildings as they may
6 deem expedient, and shall have charge of all repairs on the
7 same,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows,
8 viz:

‘Sect. 2. The general management and control of the public
10 schools and of the school property, including school buildings
11 and grounds in said city, shall continue to be vested in a
12 school committee, to consist of seven members, instead of ten
13 as provided in said act. Said school committee shall be
14 elected by ballot by a plurality of the votes given, two mem-
15 bers from the citizens at large by the legal voters of the city
16 voting in their respective wards; and of the other five mem-
17 bers, one shall be elected by each ward, being an inhabitant
18 of the ward where elected. They shall hold their offices for
19 the term of three years from the second Monday in March,
20 and until others are elected and qualified in their places, except
21 as hereinafter provided. At the annual election in March,
22 eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, said school committee
23 shall be elected as follows: one member from ward one and
24 one member from the citizens at large, for one year; one
25 member each from wards two and five, for two years; one
26 member each from wards three and four, and one member
27 from the citizens at large, for three years; and as these terms
28 expire the subsequent elections shall be for the full term of
29 three years as above provided. All vacancies occurring in the
30 school committee by death, resignation or removal from the
31 city, shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term
32 by the remaining members; and if any such vacancy shall
33 occur by the death, resignation or removal from the city of
34 a member elected by a ward, the same shall be filled from the
35 ward where it occurs. Said school committee may effect
36 such insurance upon the school buildings as they may deem
37 expedient, and shall have charge of all repairs on the same.’

Sect. 2. Section twenty-nine of chapter four hundred and
2 eighty-six of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hun-
3 dred and eighty-nine, is hereby amended by adding the fol-
4 lowing words to the same: 'All warrants directed to the col-
5 lector by the assessors, or other boards having authority to
6 issue such warrants shall run to him and his successors in
7 office, and shall be in the form prescribed by law, changing
8 such parts only as by this act are required to be changed,' so
9 that said section as amended, shall read as follows, viz:

'Sect. 29. There shall be a board of five assessors, one from
11 each ward, to be elected on the third Monday in March,
12 annually, or as soon as may be thereafter, by the city coun-
13 cil, by a majority of all its members by roll-call. The com-
14 pensation of the assessors shall be fixed by the city council
15 and shall not be increased or diminished during the municipal
16 year for which they are elected. The assessors shall hold
17 office till the third Monday in March following their elec-
18 tion and until their successors are chosen and qualified. All
19 taxes shall be assessed, apportioned and collected in the man-
20 ner prescribed by the laws of this State relative to town taxes;
21 but the city council may establish further or additional provis-
22 ions for the collection thereof. All warrants directed to the
23 collector by the assessors, or other boards having authority
24 to issue such warrants, shall run to him and his successors in
25 office, and shall be in the form prescribed by law, changing
26 such parts only as by this act are required to be changed.'

Sect. 3. Section three of chapter two hundred and thirty-
2 seven of the Private and Special Laws of eighteen hundred

3 and ninety-five, is hereby repealed and section fifteen of chap-
4 ter four hundred and eighty-six of the Private and Special
5 Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine, is hereby revived.

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

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Augusta, March 9, 1899.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*