

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Ninth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 357

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend Chapter eleven of the Public Laws of 1899
entitled "An Act to annex the City of Deering to the City of
Portland."

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

Section 1. Section seven of chapter eleven of the Public
2 Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An act to
3 annex the City of Deering to the City of Portland," is hereby
4 amended by adding thereto the following words: 'and the city
5 of Portland shall become liable for and subject to all the duties,
6 responsibilities, and liabilities of said city of Deering. All
7 actions, causes of action, suits and proceedings which may be
8 pending, or which shall have accrued at the time this act shall
9 take effect, in behalf of or against said city of Deering, shall sur-
10 vive, and be heard and determined as though this act had not
11 passed.' So that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 7. Upon the approval of this act, all the city prop-

erty of Deering together with all city moneys in the hands of the treasurer thereof, or under his control, becomes the property of the city of Portland, and the city of Portland shall assume all obligations of the city of Deering then existing, and all indebtedness, both temporary and bonded, and shall provide for the payment thereof according to the terms under which said indebtedness was contracted, and the city of Portland shall become liable for and subject to all the duties, responsibilities, and liabilities of said city of Deering. All actions, causes of action, suits and proceedings which may be pending, or which shall have accrued at the time this act shall take effect, in behalf of or against the city of Deering, shall survive, and be heard and determined as though this act had not passed.'

Sect. 2. Section 9 of said act is hereby amended by striking out in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth lines thereof, the words : "several collectors to whom warrants for the collection of said taxes have been issued, and said collectors shall pay over the same to the treasurer of the city of Portland," and inserting instead thereof the words, 'collector of the city of Portland who shall be the successor in office of the collector of the city of Deering, and such collections shall be paid into the treasury of the city of Portland,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows :

'Sect. 9. All persons upon whom taxes have been legally assessed by the city of Deering, and who have not paid the same, shall be required to make payment thereof to the collector of the city of Portland, who shall be the successor in office of the collector of the city of Deering, and such collections shall be paid into the treasury of the city of Portland. Unpaid sidewalk, drain and sewer assessments legally assessed by the city of Deering shall be collected in the manner provided by the Deering charter and ordinances, and the city of Portland shall have the same rights to enforce payment of said taxes, and

21 sidewalk, sewer and drain assessments as the city of Deering
22 would have had but for the passage of this act.'

Sect. 3. Section 11 of said act is hereby amended by striking
2 out in the eleventh and twelfth lines thereof the words "and as
3 a branch of the present Portland high school," so that said sec-
4 tion, as amended, shall read as follows :

'Sect. 11. Upon the day of the inaaguration of the mayor
6 and city council to be elected on the first Monday of March, in
7 the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-
8 nine, as hereinbefore provided, the control and superintendence
9 of the present public schools of Deering shall be vested in the
10 school committee of Portland to the same extent and in the
11 same manner as are other public schools of Portland, and the
12 school facilities now furnished by the city of Deering shall not
13 be hereafter curtailed or abridged, and the high school in Deer-
14 ing shall be continued on at least an equality as to privileges and
15 standards with said school as at present maintained.'

Section 4. Section 14 of said act is hereby amended so that
2 it shall read as follows :

'Section 14. Until the next apportionment of representation
4 for the legislature the inhabitants of the first seven wards shall
5 be entitled to six representatives and the inhabitants of wards
6 eight and nine shall be entitled to one representative, to be
7 elected by said inhabitants at meetings to be held in the respec-
8 tive wards. All the duties heretofore required by law to be
9 performed by the mayor, aldermen and city clerk of the city of
10 Deering, or either of them, pertaining to the election of a rep-
11 resentative in congress, senators and members of the house of
12 representatives, and all said duties heretofore required by law
13 to be performed by the mayor, aldermen and city clerk of the
14 city of Portland, or either of them, shall in like manner devolve
15 upon and be performed by the board of mayor and aldermen
16 and city clerk of the city of Portland.'

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 15, 1899.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*