

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Seventieth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 346

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE AMENDMENT A.

Amend House Document No. 183 by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 1. Section 4 of chapter 275, of the Private and
2 Special Laws of the state of Maine, approved March 24,
3 1863, is hereby amended so that said section as amended
4 shall read as follows:

‘Section 4. Every law, act, ordinance, resolve or order,
6 requiring the consent of both branches of the city council,
7 excepting rules and orders of a parliamentary character,
8 shall be presented to the mayor for approval. If not approved
9 by him he shall return it, with his objections, at or before
10 the next session of the city council, held at least one week
11 after the aforesaid law, act, ordinance, resolve or order is
12 presented to the mayor for his approval, to that branch in
13 which it originated, which shall enter the objections at large

14 on its journal and shall again consider the same. If upon
15 such reconsideration it shall be passed by a vote of two-
16 thirds of all the members of that branch, it shall be sent,
17 together with the objections, to the other branch, by which
18 it shall be again considered, and if passed by two-thirds of
19 that branch, it shall have the same effect as if signed by the
20 mayor. The mayor shall have the right to approve as a
21 whole any resolve or order involving the appropriation and
22 expenditure of money, or to approve or disapprove specific
23 items thereof, and the portions approved shall thereby be in
24 force from the date of approval in like manner as if no part
25 thereof had been disapproved, and the portion or portions
26 disapproved shall thereupon take the same course, as herein
27 provided, when such resolve or order has been disapproved
28 as a whole. If the mayor shall fail to return any law, act,
29 ordinance, resolve or order passed by the city council at or
30 before the next stated session held at least one week after the
31 passage of the same, it shall be in effect as if approved. In
32 case of vacancy in the office of mayor, when said law, act,
33 ordinance, resolve or order be finally passed, the same shall
34 be valid without approval.'

Sect. 2. Section 6 of said act is amended by striking out
2 the words "second Monday in March" in the eleventh line
3 thereof, and inserting the words, 'second Monday in Decem-
4 ber.' Section 8 of said act is amended by striking out the
5 words, "second Monday in March," in the first and second
6 lines thereof, and inserting the words, 'second Monday in
7 December.' Section 12 of said section is amended by strik-
8 ing out the words, "second Monday in March," in the sixth
9 and seventh lines thereof, and inserting the words, 'second
10 Monday in December.' Section 13 of said act is amended
11 by striking out the words, "first Monday in March," in the
12 first line thereof, and inserting the words, 'first Monday in

13 December,' and by striking out the words, "second Monday
14 in March," in the twenty-ninth line thereof, and inserting the
15 words, 'second Monday in December.'

Sect. 3. The term of office of the commissioner of public
2 works, and all other city officers and subordinate city offi-
3 cers, which would otherwise expire on the second Monday
4 of March in any year shall expire on the second Monday of
5 December next preceding, or as soon thereafter as other
6 persons are qualified in their places.

Sect. 4. The terms of office of all male members of the
2 school committee, and all female members elected under
3 the provisions of chapter 17 of the Private and Special Laws
4 of 1899, that would otherwise expire on the first or second
5 Monday of March in any year, shall expire on the second
6 Monday of December in the year next preceding.

Sect. 5. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent herewith,
2 are hereby repealed.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

AUGUSTA, March 8, 1901.

Offered by Mr. CHASE of Portland, and on his motion ordered printed.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*