

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.

No. 616

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE  
HUNDRED AND SEVEN.

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AN ACT to amend an act incorporating the city of Waterville,  
and relating to the tenure of office of the members of the fire  
department of said city.

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

Section 1. Section five of chapter one hundred ninety-five  
2 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887 is hereby amended  
3 by inserting after the word "other" in the twenty-first line  
4 of said section before the word "each" the following: 'But  
5 all members and officers of the fire department shall be con-  
6 tinued in the service of said department without re-election  
7 or re-appointment unless removed for inefficiency or other  
8 cause or retired on arrival at an age limit which may be

9 determined by the city council of said city,' so that said  
10 section shall read as follows:

    'Sect. 5. The executive powers of said city generally, and  
12 the administration of police and health departments, with all  
13 the powers of selectmen and overseers of the poor, except as  
14 modified by this act, shall be vested in the mayor and alder-  
15 men. All the powers of establishing watch and ward, now  
16 vested by the laws of the state in the justices of the peace  
17 and municipal officers or inhabitants of towns, are vested in  
18 the mayor and aldermen, so far as relates to said city, and  
19 they are authorized to unite the watch and police depart-  
20 ments into one department, and establish suitable regula-  
21 tions for the government of the same. The officers of police  
22 shall be one chief, to be styled the city marshal, so many  
23 deputy marshals as the city council may by ordinance pre-  
24 scribe, and so many watchmen and police as the mayor and  
25 aldermen may, from time to time appoint. All other powers  
26 now or hereafter vested in the inhabitants of said city, and  
27 all powers granted by this act, as well as all powers relating  
28 to the fire department, shall be vested in the mayor and  
29 aldermen and common council of said city, to be exercised  
30 by concurrent vote, each board to have a negative  
31 upon the other. But all members and officers of the fire  
32 department shall be continued in the service of said depart-  
33 ment without re-election or re-appointment unless removed  
34 for inefficiency or other cause or retired on arrival at an age  
35 limit which may be determined by the city council of said

36 city. Each board shall keep a record of its proceedings, and  
37 judge of the election of its own members, and in case of  
38 vacancies, new elections shall be ordered by the mayor and  
39 aldermen.”

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 16, 1907.

Reported by Mr. MONTGOMERY from Committee on Judiciary, and  
ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*