

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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SENATE.

No. 233

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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 the charter of 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. Section five of chapter two hundred seventy-  
2 five of the Private and Special Laws of the State of Maine,  
3 approved March twenty-fourth, one thousand eight hundred  
4 and sixty-three, is hereby amended, by striking out the  
5 words "city marshal" in the tenth line of said section five  
6 and by inserting in the place thereof the words "chief of  
7 police" and by striking out the words "deputy marshals"  
8 in the eleventh line of said section five and inserting in the  
9 place thereof the words "captains of police," so that said  
10 section five as amended shall read:

'Sect. 5. The executive powers of said city generally, and  
12 the administration of police and health departments, with  
13 all the powers of selectmen, except as modified by this act,  
14 shall be vested in the mayor and aldermen. All the powers  
15 of establishing watch and ward, now vested by the laws of  
16 the State in the justices of the peace and municipal officers  
17 or inhabitants of towns, are vested in the mayor and alder-  
18 men, so far as relates to said city; and they are authorized  
19 to unite the watch and police departments into one depart-  
20 ment and establish suitable regulations for the government  
21 of the same. The officers of police shall be one chief, to be  
22 styled the chief of police, so many captains of police as the  
23 city council may by ordinance prescribe, and so many watch-  
24 men and policemen as the mayor and aldermen may from  
25 time to time appoint. All other powers now or hereafter  
26 vested in the inhabitants of said city, and all powers granted  
27 by this act, as well as all powers relating to the fire depart-  
28 ment, shall be vested in the mayor and aldermen and com-  
29 mon council of said city, to be exercised by concurrent vote,  
30 each board to have a negative upon the other. Each board  
31 shall keep a record of its proceedings, and judge of the  
32 election of its own members; and in case of vacancies, new  
33 elections shall be ordered by the mayor and aldermen.'

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



STATE OF MAINE.

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IN SENATE, March 9, 1907.

Reported by Mr. HASTINGS from Committee on Judiciary, and  
laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary*