

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 288

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend the city charter of the city of Portland per-
taining to powers and duties of the mayor.

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

Section 1. Section four of chapter two hundred and
2 seventy-five of the private and special laws of the state of
3 Maine for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-three as
4 amended by chapter three hundred and eighty-four of the
5 special laws of nineteen hundred and one, is hereby amended
6 so that as amended said section shall read as follows:

'Sect. 4. Every law, act, ordinance, resolve or order,
8 requiring the consent of both branches of the city council,
9 excepting rules and orders of a parliamentary character,
10 shall be presented to the mayor, and if he approve, he shall

11 sign it; if not, he shall return it, with his objections, at the
12 next stated session of the city council, provided said stated
13 session is held at least one week after the aforesaid law, act,
14 ordinance, resolve or order is presented to the mayor for his
15 approval, to that branch in which it originated, which shall
16 enter the objections at large on its journal and proceed to
17 reconsider the same. If upon such reconsideration it shall
18 be passed by a vote of two-thirds of all the members of that
19 branch, it shall be sent, together with the objection to the
20 other branch, by which it shall be reconsidered, and if passed
21 by two-thirds of that branch, it shall have the same effect as
22 if signed by the mayor. If the law, act, ordinance, resolve
23 or order shall not be returned by the mayor at the next stated
24 meeting which shall be held at least one week after the same
25 has been presented to the mayor, it shall have the same effect
26 as if he had signed it. The mayor shall have the right to
27 approve as a whole any resolve or order involving the appro-
28 priation and expenditure of money, or to approve or dis-
29 approve specific items thereof, and the portions approved
30 shall thereby be in force in like manner as if no part thereof
31 had been disapproved, and the portion or portions disap-
32 proved, shall thereupon take the same course, as herein pro-
33 vided, as though said resolve or order had been disapproved
34 as a whole. In case of vacancy in the office of mayor, when
35 said law, act, ordinance, resolve or order be finally passed,
36 the same shall be valid without approval.'

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

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, March 18, 1907.

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

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary*.