

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 523

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to provide for a fire and police commission for the
town of Skowhegan.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. Upon the acceptance of the provisions of this
2 act, as hereinafter provided, a board of fire and police com-
3 missioners is hereby created in and for the town of Skow-
4 hegan to consist of three persons who shall be appointed by
5 the selectmen of said town, one commissioner to serve until
6 the first day of April following his appointment and the
7 other two to serve, respectively, until one and two years
8 from said first day of April, and thereafter, at the expiration
9 of the term of office of a commissioner, his successor shall
10 be so appointed to serve three years.

Sect. 2. With the exception of the right to raise and collect money therefor the town of Skowhegan is hereby authorized to delegate all its powers and that of its municipal officers relating to the inspection of buildings, a fire department, the prevention and extinguishment of fires, and its police officers and department, to said board of fire and police commissioners.

Sect. 3. Said commissioners shall have power to adopt by-laws and ordinances and perform all the duties imposed upon said town and its municipal officers by chapter twenty-eight of the revised statutes and also all those relating to the police and police officers in sections ninety-three and ninety-four of chapter four of the revised statutes, but no change in the liability of said town shall be thereby created.

Sect. 4. The acceptance of the provisions of this act, at any legal meeting of said town, by a majority of the legal voters there present and voting, under a warrant containing an article giving due notice thereof, shall constitute such delegation of authority, and the term of the then existing officers of the police and fire department of said town, shall expire when their successors are appointed by said commissioners.

Sect. 5. Said fire and police commissioners shall be paid such compensation as the town shall determine.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, March 10, 1909.

Reported by Mr. COOLIDGE from Committee on Legal
Affairs and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*