

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 64

House of Representatives, Jan. 31, 1911.

Introduced Jan. 26, by Mr. Goodwin of Biddeford and referred to Committee on Judiciary. On later motion of Mr. Goodwin 200 copies ordered printed.

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Chapter six hundred twenty-five, Private
and Special Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-three.

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

Section 1. Section 1 of Chapter 625 of the Private and
2 Special Laws of 1893 is hereby amended by striking out
3 all of said section and enacting in place thereof the fol-
4 lowing:

'Section 1. At any regular election which may be held
6 in the city of Biddeford not less than forty days nor more
7 than ninety days after this act shall take effect, and, in
8 case of no regular election within that time, at a special
9 election to be called within that time for the purpose here-

10 in provided, there shall be elected by plurality vote three
11 citizens of said Biddeford, who shall constitute a board of
12 police of said city of Biddeford in place of the present board
13 of police, and who shall be sworn before entering upon the
14 duties of their office; all nominations shall be male and elec-
15 tions held under the laws which govern the nomination and
16 election of mayor in said city of Biddeford. Said members
17 of said board shall serve from the time of their election and
18 qualification for terms which shall terminate one, two and
19 three years, respectively, as shall be designated at the time
20 of their election, from the third Monday of March next suc-
21 ceeding such election; thereafter, their successors shall be
22 elected for the term of three years each at the annual elec-
23 tion next preceding the expiration of the term. Vacancies
24 shall be temporarily filled by the Municipal Officers of said
25 city; members so chosen shall hold office until the third Mon-
26 day of March following their election and at the next annual
27 municipal election occurring after such vacancy exists, some
28 citizen shall be elected to serve during the remainder of the
29 term. The board shall annually elect one of their number
30 chairman. The board shall annually appoint one of their
31 number clerk, who shall be sworn and shall keep a record
32 of all proceedings, issue all notices and attest all such pa-
33 pers and orders as the board directs.'

Sect. 2. Section 4 of said Chapter 625 is hereby amend-
2 ed by striking out the words "appointed by the governor,"
3 in the second line thereof, so that said section, as amended,
4 shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 4. The salaries of the members of said board
6 shall be voted annually by the Municipal Officers of said
7 city and paid quarterly from the treasury thereof, but the
8 salary of any member of said board shall not be dimin-
9 ished during the term of his appointment. Said board of
10 police shall be provided with such rooms as shall be con-
11 venient and suitable for the performance of its duties by
12 said city and at its expense. The said city shall provide
13 all such suitable accommodations for the police of said
14 city as said board shall require. All rooms in all build-
15 ings, and all property used by said police, shall be under
16 the control of said board of police. All expenses for the
17 maintenance of said rooms, the pay of the police and all
18 incidental expenses incurred in the administration of said
19 police, shall be paid by said city upon the requisition of
20 said board. The compensation of the police in said city
21 shall not be diminished below the amount paid said police
22 for and during the year eighteen hundred ninety-two, with-
23 out the consent of said board of police.’

Sect. 3. Section 6 of said Chapter 625 is hereby amended
2 by striking out all of said section and enacting in place
3 thereof the following:

‘Sect. 6. Said board of police shall make a report of
5 its doings annually to the City Council at the close of the
6 fiscal year.’

Sect. 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith,
2 are hereby repealed.