

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 178

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C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to authorize the mayor of the city of Portland to
appoint commissioners of cemeteries and public grounds.

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

Section 1. The mayor of the city of Portland is hereby
2 authorized and empowered to appoint, subject to the approval
3 of the board of aldermen, a commission to be called the
4 commission of cemeteries and public grounds.

Sect. 2. The said commission shall consist of four per-
2 sons; the mayor of the city of Portland shall be chairman
3 of the said commission ex-officio and shall constitute the
4 fourth person of the said commission. The present mem-
5 bers of the said commission shall continue to hold office until
6 the expiration of their term.

Sect. 3. Three members of the said commission shall be
2 appointed for one, two, and three years respectively at the
3 first appointment under this act, and thereafter one shall be
4 appointed each year to hold for the term of three years, and
5 in case a vacancy shall occur it shall be filled in the same
6 manner for the unexpired term.

Sect. 4. Said commissioners shall have charge and control
2 of the department of foresters, city playgrounds, and all
3 cemeteries, other than Evergreen cemetery, together with
4 parks, promenades, squares and trees on public streets, which
5 are, or may hereafter be reserved for ornamental use, be-
6 longing to the city of Portland, and under their direction all
7 appropriations made for said cemeteries, and grounds shall
8 be expended. Said commissioners are authorized to elect
9 annually a superintendent—who may be one of their num-
10 ber—and who shall perform said duties as the commissioners
11 prescribe. Said superintendent shall be paid monthly a sal-
12 ary fixed by the members of the said commission. The
13 salary of the said superintendent to be taken from fund pro-
14 vided for in this act. To enable said commissioners to make
15 improvements, to enlarge the park area, to maintain the said
16 public grounds under their charge and to pay for the addi-
17 tions to said grounds already acquired or to be acquired by
18 the city of Portland a tax of one-half of one mill on the
19 dollar shall be assessed annually by the assessors of said
20 city of Portland upon all the estates and property subject to
21 taxation in said city. The amount of said tax when raised

22 to be set aside as a special fund to be expended by said
23 commissioners for the purpose specified in this act.

Sect. 5. That the reduction of the said tax from one mill
2 to one-half of one mill shall not take effect until the first day
3 of January, 1914.

Sect. 6. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the
2 provisions herein contained are hereby repealed.