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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 333

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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 here-
2 by authorized and empowered to appoint a Commission to
3 be called the Commission of Cemeteries and Public
4 Grounds.

Sect. 2. The said Commission shall consist of four per-
2 sons and no more: the Mayor of the City of Portland
3 shall be Chairman of the said Commission ex officio and
4 shall constitute the fourth person of the said Commission.
5 The present three members of the said Commission shall

6 continue to hold office until the expiration of their terms,
7 and as their terms expire the mayor shall appoint a mem-
8 ber in the place of each respectively for three years, and in
9 case of a vacancy he shall appoint a member for the un-
10 expired term.

Sect. 3. Said commissioners shall have charge and con-
2 trol of the department of forestry, city playgrounds, and
3 of all cemeteries—other than Evergreen Cemetery—to-
4 gether with parks, promenades, squares and trees on pub-
5 lic streets and public grounds, which are, or may be here-
6 after reserved for ornamental use, belonging to the City
7 of Portland, and under their direction all appropriations
8 made for said cemeteries and grounds shall be expended
9 for their proper care, including extermination of brown-
10 tail and gipsy moths or any other pest. Said Commis-
11 sioners are authorized to elect annually a superintendent,
12 who may be one of their number and who shall perform
13 such duties as the Commissioners prescribe. Said superin-
14 tendent shall be paid monthly a salary fixed by the mem-
15 bers of the said Commission. The salary of the said super-
16 intendent to be taken from fund provided for in this act.
17 To enable said Commissioners to make improvements, to
18 enlarge the park area, to maintain the said public grounds
19 under their charge and to pay for additions to said grounds
20 already acquired or to be required by the city of Portland
21 a tax of one-half of one mill on the dollar shall be assessed
22 annually by the assessors of said city of Portland upon all

23 the estates and property subject to taxation in said city.
24 The amount of said tax when raised to be set aside as
25 a special fund to be expended by said Commissioners for
26 the purposes specified in this act.

Sect. 4. Provided however one per cent. of the amount
2 of the above tax shall be reserved by the Treasurer each
3 year to cover any uncollected portion of this tax, and car-
4 ried to the credit of the account known as over-layings and
5 abatements.

Sect. 5. The reduction of the said tax from one mill to
2 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.