

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 68

House of Representatives, Feb. 4, 1915.

Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Portland Delegation.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Colcord of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend the charter of the City of Portland.

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

Section 1. The administration of all the fiscal, prudential,
2 and municipal affairs of the City of Portland, with the gov-
3 ernment thereof, shall be vested in the principal magistrate,
4 to be styled the mayor, and one council of 27 (twenty-seven)
5 to be denominated the City Council, to be elected annually,
6 three councilmen from each ward.

Sect. 2. All the powers and duties hitherto vested in the
2 board of aldermen shall hereafter be vested in the City Coun-
3 cil and of the municipal officers in the board of mayor and
4 City Council.

Sect. 3. The mayor shall appoint a chairman of the City
2 Council who shall act temporarily as mayor, upon written
3 authority from said mayor, whenever absent from the city.
4 Said chairman shall become acting mayor whenever any
5 vacancy occurs in the office of mayor or permanent incapac-
6 ity prevents the mayor from serving.

Sect. 4. The mayor shall appoint a legal resident of the
2 city to be secretary to the mayor and also secretary of City
3 Council committees and to assume the powers and duties
4 hitherto devolving on the city messenger which office shall
5 be abolished herewith.

Sect. 5. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this
2 amendment to the city charter of the City of Portland shall
3 become invalid upon the adoption of this amendment.