## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

## SENATE

NO. 160

In Senate, March 5, 1919.

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P. F. CRANE, Secretary.

## STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Abolish the Common Council of the City of Lewiston.

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

Section 1. Section two of chapter one hundred and five

- 2 of the private and special laws of the state of Maine of
- 3 the year eighteen hundred and sixty-one, is hereby amend-
- 4 ed by striking out in the fifth and sixth lines of said sec-
- 5 tion two, the words "and one council of not less than
- 6 fifteen, nor more than twenty-one, to be denominated the
- 7 common council," and in the seventh line thereof of word
- 8 "boards," and substituting therefor the word 'board,' so
- 9 that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 2. The administration of all the fiscal, prudential 2 and municipal affairs of said city, with the government 3 thereof, shall be vested in one principal magistrate, to be 4 styled the mayor; and one council of seven, to be denom-5 inated the board of aldermen, all of whom shall be inhab-6 itants of said city; which board shall constitute and be 7 called the city council; all of whom shall be sworn to the 8 faithful performance of the duties of their respective 9 offices; provided the city council shall not vote, assess or **10** appropriate any money for any object or purpose for which II the town of Lewiston is not authorized to vote, assess and 12 appropriate money, except for such purposes as are au-13 thorized by this act. And provided further, that neither 14 the city council, nor any agent or officer for the city, shall 15 borrow or hire money for, or on account of the city or 16 inhabitants thereof, except for the purposes for which the 17 town of Lewiston is now by law authorized to raise money; 18 and all notes, bonds, obligations, scrip, or orders, given 19 by the city council or any officer or agent thereof, for 20 money or property obtained for any other purpose, shall 21 be void, except those negotiable, and in the hands of a bona-22 fide holder for value.'

Sect. 2. All powers now vested in the common council, 2 or jointly in said common council and the board of alder-3 men, by said chapter one hundred and five of the private 4 and special laws of Maine, for the year eighteen hundred 5 and sixty-one, and acts amendatory thereof and additional

6 thereto; shall vest in the city council as provided by sec-7 tion one of this act.

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect on the third Monday 2 of March, in the year one thousand nine hundred and 3 twenty.