

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 191

House of Representatives, February 28, 1921.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Wight of Newry.

STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE**

AN ACT to Amend Chapter Four, Section Thirteen of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Longer Terms of Office for Selectmen and Assessors.

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

Chapter four, section thirteen of the revised statutes, is
2 hereby amended by striking out the words "may, if the
3 electors present vote so to do," in the second and third lines
4 of said section, and inserting in place thereof the word
5 'shall,' and by adding at the end of said section the follow-
6 ing: 'If any town elects more than three selectmen, three
7 overseers of the poor and three assessors they shall be elected
8 for such terms that one term will expire each year there-

9 after and at the end of each term the person elected to re-
10 place the old member shall be elected for a term of years
11 equal to the total number of the board, so that the term of
12 one member shall expire each year,' so that said section as
13 amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 13. Any town electing three selectmen, three over-
2 seers of the poor and three assessors, shall elect one mem-
3 ber of each board to hold office for one year, one for two
4 years, and one for three years, and at each annual meeting
5 thereafter one member of each of the said boards shall be
6 elected for a term of three years; towns electing more than
7 three selectmen, three overseers of the poor and three as-
8 sessors, may by vote determine how many of each of said
9 boards shall be elected annually and the tenure of their of-
10 fice. If any town elects more than three selectmen, three
11 overseers of the poor, and three assessors they shall be
12 elected for such terms that one term will expire each year
13 thereafter and at the end of each term the person elected
14 to replace the old member shall be elected for a term of years
15 equal to the total number of the board, so that the term of
16 one member shall expire each year.'