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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend the Charter of the City of Eastport. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section I. For the purpose of saving expense thereunder 2 and rendering the same more convenient for the people, 3 the private and special laws of eighteen hundred ninety-4 three, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the City of East-5 port," and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof 6 and revising and further amending the same, said original 7 act is hereby further amended, as follows:

Sect. 2. Section six of said act is hereby further amended 2 by striking out after the word "subsequently" in the ninth 3 line thereof the words "and more than three months previ-

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4 ous to the expiration of the municipal year warrants shall 5 forthwith be issued for a new election, and the same pro-6 ceedings shall be had in all respects as hereinbefore pro-7 vided, and shall be repeated until such election is com-8 pleted," and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'such va-9 cancy in the office of mayor shall be filled for the unex-10 pired term by a majority vote of the members of the board 11 of aldermen by roll-call, except that the president of said 12 board shall have a casting vote in case of a tie only,' so 13 that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 6. Whenever two or more persons are to be elected 2 to the same office, the several persons up to the number 3 to be chosen, receiving the highest number of votes, shall 4 be deemed and declared to be elected. If it shall appear 5 that there is no choice of mayor, or any of the other offi-6 cers to be elected from the citizens at large, or from any 7 of the several wards, or if the person elected mayor, or 8 any person or persons elected to any other of the offices 9 aforesaid, shall refuse to accept the office, or shall die be-10 fore qualifying, or if a vacancy in the office of mayor shall 11 occur subsequently, such vacancy in the office of mayor 12 shall be filled for the unexpired term by a majority vote 13 of all the members of the board of aldermen by roll call, 14 except that the president of said board shall have a cast-15 ing vote in case of a tie only. A vacancy occurring in the 16 office of city clerk by death, resignation or removal from 17 the city, shall be filled for the unexpired term by election

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18 by the city council. A vacancy occurring in the board of 19 aldermen by death, resignation or removal from the city, 20 or any member thereof, shall be filled for the unexpired 21 term by a plurality vote of the remaining members of the 22 council, by roll call, from the ward where it occurs.'

Sect. 3. This act shall take effect only after and in case 2 of its acceptance by a vote of the legal voters of said city 3 at a meeting duly called and held subsequent to the passage 4 of this act.

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