

EIGHTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

S. P. No. 234

S. D. No. 86

In Senate, Feb. 17, 1925.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Hinckley of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Change the Name of the City of South Portland.

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

WHEREAS, many citizens of the City of South Portland represent, that being a separate and distinct municipality duly incorporated, that it is a serious handicap to be burdened by a name suggestive of a suburb of an adjoining city and

WHEREAS, they are desirous of being relieved of this burden by having its name changed to another such as its citizens shall select,

The municipal officers of the city of South Portland are 2 hereby ordered and directed to call a special election not 3 less than sixty nor more than one hundred and twenty days

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4 after this act shall become a law for the purpose of permit-5 ting its electors to decide whether or not they desire a 6 change of name and if so to select a new name.

The questions to be printed on the ballot shall be:

Do you wish the name of the City of South Portland to 2 be changed to some other name? The ballot shall be marked 3 by making a cross in one of two squares, above one of which 4 shall be printed the word "Yes" and above the other, "No." 5 On the same ballot shall be printed the following:

If the name is changed what is your choice for a new 2 name?

If a majority of the votes cast are in favor of a change of 2 name then its name shall be changed and its new name shall 3 be the same selected by the largest number of votes accord-4 ing to the ballots cast.

The said municipality, if it decides to adopt a new name, 2 shall under the name adopted be entitled to, and is hereby 3 secured in all the rights, privileges and immunities and 4 shall be subject to all the liabilities and duties, under the 5 name adopted, as it has heretofore enjoyed and been sub-6 ject to, by virtue of any and all provisions of the original 7 act of incorporation as set forth in chapter two hundred 8 and forty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen 9 hundred and ninety-five and any amendments thereto.