

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

---

---

**EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE**

---

---

**House Document**

**No. 196**

H. P. 724

House of Representatives, Feb. 17, 1927.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Jackson of Portland.

---

---

**STATE OF MAINE**

---

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

---

AN ACT Relating to the Board of Harbor Commissioners  
for the Harbor of Portland.

---

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

Section 1. That chapter one hundred and ninety-two of  
2 the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and seven-  
3 teen be amended by striking out the whole of section one  
4 and inserting as section one of said chapter the following:

‘Section 1. Four persons, two of whom, at the time of  
2 their original appointment, shall be residents of the city of  
3 Portland and two of whom, at the time of their original  
4 appointment, shall be residents of the city of South Port-  
5 land, shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice  
6 and consent of the council, for a period of four years, to

7 constitute and be known as the Board of Harbor Commis-  
8 sioners for the city of Portland. Whenever a vacancy occurs  
9 in the board, the governor, with the advice and consent of  
10 the council, shall fill such vacancy and the person so ap-  
11 pointed shall hold said office for the term of four years.  
12 Whenever a vacancy occurs, by reason of the death or resig-  
13 nation of any member of said board, the vacancy shall be  
14 filled by the appointment of a resident of the same city as  
15 the member dying or resigning. In event of the removal  
16 of a member of the said board from the county of Cumber-  
17 land, such member so removing shall lose his right to con-  
18 tinue as a member of the board and the vacancy so existing  
19 shall be filled by the appointment of a resident of the same  
20 city from which he was appointed, but any member of the  
21 board shall be eligible to reappointment, so long as he con-  
22 tinues a resident of Cumberland county.'

Sect. 2. That said chapter one hundred and ninety-two  
2 be further amended by striking out all of section two of  
3 said chapter and inserting as section two the following:

'Sect. 2. The Board of Harbor Commissioners of Portland  
2 Harbor, as now constituted, shall continue to exercise the  
3 powers conveyed by this chapter. Said board shall meet  
4 and from their number elect a chairman and clerk and from  
5 time to time adopt such rules and regulations as are neces-  
6 sary for the proper administration of their duties.'

Sect. 3. That section twelve of said chapter one hundred  
2 and ninety-two be amended by adding to said section twelve

3 the words, 'said board shall have the right and power to  
4 appoint a member of said board as such harbor master or  
5 deputy harbor master,' so that said section, as amended,  
6 shall read as follows:

'Sect. 12. Said board shall appoint some competent person  
2 as harbor master and also a deputy, but before either shall  
3 be qualified to act, their appointment shall be approved by  
4 the mayor of the city of Portland; and the persons so ap-  
5 pointed shall receive such compensation as the city council  
6 of said city of Portland shall, from time to time, fix and  
7 allow. In the absence, or inability of said harbor master  
8 to act, the deputy shall have all the powers and authority  
9 of the harbor master. The harbor master and deputy shall  
10 hold office for the term of one year from the date of the  
11 approval of their appointment; but either may be removed  
12 by said board at any time for negligence, inefficiency, or for  
13 any other reason deemed sufficient by the board; and said  
14 board shall fill the vacancy thereby occasioned, in the manner  
15 hereinbefore provided. The harbor master shall be pro-  
16 vided by the city of Portland with transportation necessary  
17 for the performance of his duties. Said board shall have  
18 the right and power to appoint a member of said board as  
19 such harbor master or deputy harbor master.'