

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

House Document

No. 3

H. P. 7

House of Representatives, Jan. 10, 1929.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Sargent of Brewer.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section Four of Chapter Four of the Private and Special Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-five, Entitled "An Act to Incorporate the City of Brewer High School District."

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

Section four of chapter four of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-five is hereby amended by striking out the word "seven" in the fifteenth line of said section and inserting in the place thereof the word 'fourteen,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 4. The trustees so to be elected shall be elected by a plurality vote of the legal voters of said district voting

3 at the special election provided for in section nine. All
4 nominations of candidates so to be voted for shall be made
5 by nomination papers signed in the aggregate for each
6 candidate by no less than fifty qualified voters resident in
7 said district. Each voter signing a nomination paper shall
8 make his signature in person, and each voter may subscribe
9 to as many nominations as there are trustees to be elected
10 in said district and no more. Such nomination papers shall,
11 before being filed, be submitted to the city clerk of the city
12 of Brewer, who shall forthwith certify thereon what num-
13 ber of the signatures are names of qualified voters resident
14 in said district; one of the signers to each such separate
15 paper shall swear to the truth thereof, and the certificate of
16 such oath shall be annexed to or made upon the nomination
17 papers. Such nomination papers shall be filed with the
18 city clerk of said city of Brewer at least fourteen days,
19 exclusive of Sundays, previous to the day of such election.
20 With such nomination papers shall also be filed the consent
21 in writing of the person or persons nominated. All nomina-
22 tion papers, being filed and being in apparent conformity
23 with the foregoing provisions, shall be deemed to be valid;
24 and if not in apparent conformity they may be seasonably
25 amended under oath. In case any candidate who has been
26 duly nominated under the provisions hereof shall die before
27 the day of election, or shall withdraw in writing, or shall
28 remove his place of residence from said district, the vacancy
29 may be supplied in the manner herein provided for such

30 nominations. The name so supplied for the vacancy shall,
31 if the ballots have not been printed, be placed on the ballots
32 instead of the original nomination; or if the ballots have
33 been printed, new ballots containing the new nomination
34 shall, if practicable, be furnished, or slips containing the
35 new nomination shall be printed under the direction of said
36 city clerk, which shall be pasted upon said ballots and over
37 the name of the candidate whose nomination has been va-
38 cated as aforesaid, and thereafter shall become part of said
39 ballots as if originally printed thereon. The ballot in said
40 district shall contain the names of all candidates so nomi-
41 nated in such district alphabetically arranged, printed in
42 one column under the heading, "For Trustees of the City
43 of Brewer High School District." Above such heading
44 shall be printed, "Vote for five. Make a cross to the right
45 of each name voted for." As many blank spaces shall be
46 left after the names of the candidates as there are trustees
47 to be elected, in which the voter may by writing insert the
48 names of any person or persons for whom he desires to
49 vote. In preparing his ballot the voter shall mark a cross
50 (X) against and to the right of such name on said ballot
51 as he desires to vote for, not to exceed the number of trus-
52 tees so to be elected in said district. If the voter shall de-
53 sire to vote for any person or persons whose name or names
54 are not printed on the ballot, he may fill in such name or
55 names in the blank spaces left therefor by writing the same
56 therein, or by using a sticker or stickers containing such

57 new name or names. Where the voter so adds by writing
58 such new name or names, his vote for such new name or
59 names shall be counted therefor although he may fail to
60 mark a cross against the same. The result of such election
61 shall be declared by the municipal officers of the city of
62 Brewer and due certificate thereof filed with the city clerk
63 thereof. The term of office of the trustee shall begin on
64 the date of the special election provided for in this act. As
65 soon as convenient after all the members of said board have
66 been so chosen, the trustees shall hold a meeting at the city
67 rooms in the city of Brewer, to be called by one of the
68 trustees upon such reasonable notice therefor as he may
69 deem proper. They shall organize by the election from
70 their own membership of a president, clerk and treasurer,
71 adopt a corporate seal and may employ all needful officers
72 and agents for the proper conduct and management of the
73 affairs of the district and annually thereafter at the begin-
74 ning of each municipal year the trustees shall organize as
75 hereinbefore provided.'