

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Senate Document

No. 112

S. P. 304.

In Senate, Feb. 6, 1929.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Minott of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Additional to Chapter 242, of the Private and Special
Laws of 1895, Entitled, "An Act to Incorporate the City
of South Portland."

Whereas, the police and fire departments of the city of South Portland are inadequately organized, and whereas the members thereof retire at the end of the municipal year which occurs next March and new members must be elected by the incoming city government without adequate information as to their qualifications, and whereas efficient fire and police departments are necessary for the public peace, health and safety, and whereas the foregoing facts render the passage of this act im-

mediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and constitute an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution: now therefore,

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

Section 1. The city council may provide by ordinance for
2 a system of civil service rules for the appointment, promo-
3 tion, demotion, lay-off, reinstatement, suspension, retire-
4 ment with or without pension, and removal of the members
5 of the police department, and of the fire department other
6 than the chiefs of said departments, and for a civil service
7 commission to administer the same.

Sect. 2. All sections of said charter as provided in said
2 special act of one thousand eight hundred ninety-five, or
3 sections amendatory thereof, or additional thereto, incon-
4 sistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Sect. 3. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble,
2 this act shall take effect when approved.