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EIGHTY - SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 215

S. P. 254

In Senate, Jan. 30, 1935.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Sen. Pinansky of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIVE

**AN ACT to Create a Board of Harbor Commissioners for the Harbor of
Portland, and Define its Powers.**

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

P. & S. L. 1917, c. 192, § 12, amended. Section 12 of chapter 192 of the private and special laws of 1917 entitled "An Act to Create a Board of Harbor Commissioners for the Harbor of Portland, and Define its Powers" is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 12. Harbor master and deputy; appointment, tenure, compensation; city of Portland and city of South Portland to provide for transportation facilities. Said board shall appoint some competent person as harbor master and also a deputy, but before either shall be qualified to act, their appointment shall be approved by the ~~mayor~~ **city councils of the city of Portland and South Portland**; and the persons so appointed shall receive such compensation as the **City councils of the city of Portland and South Portland** shall, from time to time, fix and allow. In the absence, or inability of said harbor master to act, the deputy shall have all the powers and authority of the harbor master. The harbor master and deputy shall hold office for the term of one year from the date of the approval of their appointment; but either may be removed by said board at any time for negligence, inefficiency, or for any other reason deemed sufficient by the

board; and said board shall fill the vacancy thereby occasioned, in the manner hereinbefore provided. The harbor master shall be provided by the **cities of Portland and South Portland** with transportation necessary for the performance of his duties. **Before any bill is contracted for keeping the harbor clear of ice or for removing obstructions to navigation, the bill shall be submitted to the city managers of Portland and South Portland for their approval. All expenses in the clearing of ice and removing obstructions to navigation shall be borne two-thirds by the city of Portland and one-third by the city of South Portland; and the city of Portland and city of South Portland are authorized to appropriate money therefore.**

Note: The proposed change in the existing law makes the councils of the cities of Portland and South Portland the approving board of the appointment of harbor master and his deputy. The new act further gives the right to the councils of the respective cities the right to fix compensation of the harbor master and deputy. A sentence is added dividing the expenses incurred by the harbor commission between the city of Portland and the city of South Portland in the proportion of two-thirds and one-third.