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EIGHTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 377

H. P. 1059 House of Representatives, February 9, 1937.
Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Dutil of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Amending "An Act to Incorporate the City of Lewiston."

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

- Sec. 1. Salary of mayor of Lewiston. The salary and compensation of the mayor of Lewiston shall be \$3000 per year.
- Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1861, c. 105, § 17, amended. Section 17 of chapter 105 of the private and special laws of 1861 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 17. Mayor, aldermen and common councilmen, election of. The mayor shall be selected from the citizens at large, by the inhabitants of the city voting in their respective wards. One alderman and 3 common councilmen shall be elected by each ward, being residents in the wards where elected. All said officers, shall be elected by ballot, by a plurality of the votes given, and shall hold their offices one 2 years, from the 3rd Monday in March and until others shall be elected in their places; provided, however, that if the city shall be divided into less than 7 wards, then 1 or 2, as the case may be, of the aldermen shall be elected at large by the inhabitants of the city, the whole number of aldermen in no case to be more than 7, as provided in section 2 of this act.'

- Sec. 3. Effective date of act. This act shall take effect only when approved as hereinafter provided by the electors of said city of Lewiston. Said act shall be submitted to be voted upon by the qualified electors of said city on the 1st Monday of March in the year 1938, and shall be advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections. The ballots to be used in said meeting shall be prepared by the city clerk and furnished by the city in such form as will permit this act to be voted upon by an expression of the voters' opinion on the following questions:
- 1. "Shall the Charter of the City of Lewiston be amended to provide for the annual compensation and salary of the Mayor to be \$3000?"
- 2. "Shall the Charter of the City of Lewiston be amended to provide for biennial elections for the Mayor, Aldermen and Election Officials?"

Opposite and to the right of said questions shall be printed the 2 words "Yes" and "No" with the usual squares in which the voters are to mark in the manner required by law to express their opinion. Brief and suitable explanation of the subject matter submitted may be printed on the ballots which in other respects shall conform with all requirements of law. If said questions shall receive more affirmative than negative votes at said meeting, the amendments herein provided shall be deemed to be accepted and shall thereupon be in full force and effect. The result of said meeting shall be declared by the mayor and aldermen and due certificate hereof shall be filed with the city clerk, I copy of the full provisions of this act shall be posted with each notice of said meeting and 2 copies shall be kept posted in each voting place in said city during said meeting.