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H. P. 1296

House of Representatives, February 11, 1937.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Demers of Sanford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Duties of Municipal Officers.

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

R. S., c. 5, § 63, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 63 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

‘Such reports, or like reports of town auditors, if printed, shall be distributed to the voters on or before the morning of the annual meeting, or, if not printed, shall be presented and read in open town meeting before the election of selectmen; and, whether written or printed, shall be kept deposited in the office of the selectmen, or if they have no office or usual place of business, with the town clerk, with proper vouchers for the disbursements reported, where such reports and vouchers, and all the books of the town shall be open during the usual hours of business, to the inspection of voters; **provided however, that in towns of over 6000 inhabitants whose annual meeting is held prior to the close of the fiscal year for which the town appropriations at the preceding annual meeting were made, the selectmen may in lieu of the above provisions prepare a financial statement of the town as of the 1st day of the month preceding the month of the annual meeting and set forth therein the amount of the several appropriations at the last annual meeting, the amount expended thereon, and the**

amount unexpended, and within 2 months from the close of the fiscal year, the selectmen of such towns shall prepare a full detailed written or printed report of the financial transactions in behalf of the town, as above provided, for such fiscal year, and shall make distribution thereof to the voters in such manner as they shall deem fit; and if any town officer refuses or neglects to perform any requirement of this section, or refuses to allow any voter to examine such reports, vouchers, and town books, he shall be punished by a fine of \$50 for each refusal or neglect.'