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Legislative Document

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H. P. 519

House of Representatives, January 26, 1939.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Cowan of Portland.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Relative to the Office of Town Auditor.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 5, § 12, amended. Section 12 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 12. Annual meetings; treasurers and collectors not to be selectmen or assessors; may be same person. Annual town meetings shall be held in March, and the voters shall then choose, by a majority vote, a clerk, 3, 5 or 7 inhabitants of the town to be selectmen and overseers of the poor, when other overseers are not chosen, 3 or more assessors, 2 or more fence viewers, a treasurer, surveyors of lumber, sealers of leather, measurers of wood and bark, constables collectors of taxes, and other usual town officers; ~~and if one third of the voters present are in favor thereof, they shall choose, by a majority vote, one auditor of accounts,~~ all of whom shall be sworn. In towns of over 4,000 inhabitants the candidates receiving the greatest number of votes for any of the above mentioned offices shall be deemed elected to such offices. Treasurers and collectors of towns shall not be selectmen or assessors, until they have completed their duties as treasurers and collectors and had a final settlement with the town. The

treasurer and collector of taxes of cities and towns may be one and the same person.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 5, § 15, repealed. Section 15 of chapter 5 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed.