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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Civil Service in the City of Auburn.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1917, c. 201, Art. VI, § 1, amended. Section 1 of Article VI of chapter 201 of the private and special laws of 1917, as amended by section 4 of chapter 47 of the private and special laws of 1935, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 1. Enumeration. There shall be the following administrative officers and boards.

(a) The following officers and boards shall be appointed by ballot by a majority vote of the voting members of the council: city manager, clerk, city solicitor, treasurer and tax collector, auditor, Auburn water commissioners, assessors of taxes, planning board, and board of health.

(b) The following officers and boards shall be appointed by the city manager, subject to confirmation by the city council: city engineer, superintendent of streets, plumbing inspector, inspector of buildings, city physician, all other department heads whose position may be from time to time created by ordinance, and, upon recommendation of heads of departments all minor officers and employees.' Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1917, c. 201, Art. VI, § 3, amended. Section 3 of Article VI of chapter 201 of the private and special laws of 1917 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 3. Civil service; exception. The city council shall provide by ordinance for a system of civil service rules for the appointment, promotion, lay-off, reinstatement, suspension, and removal of the members of the police department, and the fire department, city marshal, city electrician, except that and the chief of the fire department and the city marshal shall be appointed or removed as hereinbefore provided.'

Sec. 3. Referendum. This act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of this legislature only for the purpose of permitting its acceptance or rejection by the legal voters of the city of Auburn at the next general election therein, or at a special state election, or at any prior city election notified and called by the mayor and aldermen, in the manner prescribed by the charter of said city of Auburn.

The question proposed on said ballot shall be substantially in the following form:

"Shall an act passed by the legislature in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-nine, approved (insert date) entitled, 'An Act Relating to Civil Service in the City of Auburn,' be accepted." Otherwise said ballot shall be in form provided by law when a constitutional amendment is submitted to the vote of the people.

If a majority of the qualified voters of the city, present and voting, vote in favor of the acceptance of this act, it shall become operative. The city . clerk shall forthwith file with the secretary of state a certificate of the action of the city thereon.