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No. 434

H. P. 1217

House of Representatives, February 4, 1941.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Teel of Long Island Plantation.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to the Town of Mount Desert.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1929, c. 97, § 5, amended. Section 5 of chapter 97 of the private and special laws of 1929, as amended by chapter 51 of the private and special laws of 1935, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

‘Sec. 5. Powers and duties of selectmen; meetings. Said selectmen, elected as herein provided, shall serve instead of the overseers or overseer of the poor, board of road commissioners, road commissioner or road commissioners as provided for by general statute, and shall have the same powers in relation to the poor of said town, and the construction and repairs of roads, bridges and sidewalks of said town, as the overseers or overseer of the poor and board of road commissioners, road commissioner or commissioners and municipal officers have under general statutes, and be subject to the same duties in relation thereto. Said selectmen shall meet regularly ~~once each week~~ **twice a month** during their term of office at such time as they may designate at their organization meeting, provided for in section 4, and a majority of said selectmen shall constitute a quorum for

the transaction of business. Special meetings of said selectmen may be called by the chairman of said selectmen or by a majority of all the members of said selectmen. Notice of such special meetings shall be served upon or left at the usual dwelling place of each selectman and the town manager.'

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1929, c. 97, § 12, amended. Section 12 of chapter 97 of the private and special laws of 1929 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 12. Compensation of town manager. The town manager shall devote his entire time to his said office, and shall receive for his services a sum **fixed by the selectmen** not to exceed \$4000 per year, and actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of his duties, to be paid by the town treasurer in monthly payments on the 1st day of every month.'

Sec. 3. P. & S. L., 1929, c. 97, § 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 97 of the private and special laws of 1929, as amended by chapter 51 of the private and special laws of 1935, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Officers. At such meetings as provided in section 1, the voters shall then choose, by ballot, as provided in chapter 191, of the private and special laws for the year 1917, ~~3, 5, or 7~~ inhabitants of said town to be selectmen and overseers of the poor. **At the first meeting held in 1941, the inhabitants elected to be selectmen and overseers of the poor shall be elected as follows: one for a term of 1 year, one for a term of 2 years, and one for a term of 3 years; and thereafter at each of said annual meetings, one for a term of 3 years.** They shall also choose, in the manner aforesaid, ~~a treasurer and collector of taxes, an auditor of accounts, a superintending school committee and a board of 3 assessors of taxes, 1 for a term of 1 year, 1 for a term of 2 years, and 1 for a term of 3 years, and thereafter at each of said annual meetings, shall elect 1 said assessor of taxes for a term of 3 years and a member of the board of assessors of taxes to serve for a term of 3 years.~~ All other necessary town officers, including a town manager, shall be appointed as herein provided.'

Sec. 4. P. & S. L., 1929, c. 97, § 7, amended. Section 7 of chapter 97 of the private and special laws of 1929, as amended by chapter 51 of the private and special laws of 1935, is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

'and the treasurer and collector of taxes.'

Sec. 5. Ratification. This act shall take effect when approved only for the purpose of its submission to the legal voters of the town of Mount Desert for the purpose of its acceptance or rejection at any regular or

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special town meeting called for that purpose by an appropriate article inserted in the call for such meeting. If a majority of the qualified voters of the town of Mount Desert voting at such meeting vote in favor of the acceptance of this act, it shall become operative and fully effective. A certificate of such vote shall be filed with the secretary of state by the town clerk.