

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, January 26, 1949

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Chapman of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-NINE

AN ACT Granting Powers to Portland University.

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

Sec. 1. Corporate powers. The trustees, their associates and successors, of Portland University, a corporation organized under chapter 50 of the revised statutes, are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of Portland University, with power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, and to have perpetual succession; to acquire, take by devise, bequest, or otherwise, hold, purchase, encumber and convey such real and personal estate as shall be required for the purpose of its incorporation; to make and use a common seal, and the same to alter at pleasure.

Sec. 2. Trustees; by-laws; to maintain university. The trustees of Portland University, with a quorum sufficient to do business, are authorized to fill vacancies in their number, to appoint such officers and agents as the business of the university shall require, and to make by-laws for accomplishment of its purposes for the management of its property and regulation of its affairs. Said university is empowered to establish and maintain within the state of Maine a university for the promotion of education with powers to grant and confer diplomas and degrees, and also such other powers as may be necessary fully to carry out and execute the general purposes of the said corporation as herein appearing.

Sec. 3. Pre-law and law courses; minimum requirements. Pre-law courses and law courses must be approved by the Maine State Board of Bar Examiners in accordance with section 4 of chapter 93 of the revised statutes, and compliance with all statutes of the state of Maine and rules and regulations of the Maine State Board of Bar Examiners shall be a prerequisite to the granting of the degree of LL.B. Such laws of Maine and rules and regulations shall be regarded as minimum requirements but shall not prevent the university from imposing or requiring additional qualifications or standards of its students and graduates.