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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Ludwig of Hope.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT Amending the Charter of the Town of Camden.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1927, c. 101, § 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 101 of the private and special laws of 1927 is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Officers to be elected. At such meetings as provided in section 1, the voters shall then choose by ballot as provided by chapter ~~seventy~~ of the public laws of ~~nineteen hundred and twenty one~~ 80 of the revised statutes of 1944, ~~three~~ 5 ~~or seven~~ inhabitants of said town to be selectmen and overseers of the poor, and assessors of taxes, 1 for a term of 1 year, 2 for a term of 2 years, and 2 for a term of 3 years, and thereafter at each of said annual meetings shall elect to said board of selectmen, overseers of the poor, and assessors of taxes, for a term of 3 years each, a sufficient number of the inhabitants of said town to maintain the membership of said board at 5 in number; a treasurer, collector of taxes, clerk, auditor of accounts, and 3 members of the school board, 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 member of the school board for a term of 3 years. All other necessary town officers, including a town manager, shall be appointed as herein provided.'

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1927, c. 101, § 5, amended. The 3rd sentence of section 5 of chapter 101 of the private and special laws of 1927 is hereby amended to read as follows :

'The selectmen shall meet regularly once each ~~week~~ 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.'

Referendum; effective date. This act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of the legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the town of Camden, present and voting at a regular or special town meeting of the town of Camden held not later than 1 year after the effective date of this act. In the event a special meeting is called for the purpose, it shall be called, advertised and conducted according to the law relating to municipal elections; provided, however, that the board of registration in said town shall not be required to prepare for posting nor the town clerk to post a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters said board shall be in session 1 hour preceding such meeting. The town clerk shall prepare the required ballots on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall An Act Amending the Charter of the Town of Camden, passed by the 95th legislature, be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at said meeting. The result of said vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the town of Camden and due certificate thereof filed by the town clerk with the secretary of state.