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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 430 L. D. 477, Bill, "An Act to
Provide a New Charter for the City of Saco."

Amend said bill by striking out all of the emergency preamble.

Further amend said bill by striking out all of section 7,
Article III and renumbering sections 8, 9 and 10 to read sections 7,
8 and 9.

Further amend said bill by striking out the words and
punctuation "at the discretion of the city council," appearing in
the 13th and 14th lines of the 1st paragraph of section 2,
Article IV.

Further amend said bill by striking out the words "a majority"
in the 2nd line of the 2nd paragraph of section 2, Article IV and
inserting in place thereof the figures '5/7'.

Further amend said bill by inserting after the words "All
moneys received" appearing in the 1st and 2nd lines of section 6,
Article IV the words 'for or on behalf of the city'.

Further amend said bill by striking out the word "No" at the
beginning of the 1st line of section 10, Article IV, and inserting
in place thereof the words 'Subject to the provisions set forth
in section 5 of this Article, no'

Further amend said bill by striking out all of section 14 of
Article IV after the headnote and inserting in place thereof the
following:

'The city council shall have the power, on such reasonable terms
and conditions as shall be imposed, to authorize and empower any
person or corporation to place in, on, or under, any public way or
walk, such structures, whether temporary or permanent, as are
ordinarily permitted by the general law relating to municipalities.'

Further amend said bill by striking out the word "The" at the
beginning of the 1st sentence of section 16, Article IV and inserting
in place thereof the following words 'Subject to provisions of the
law, the'

Further amend said bill by striking out the comma appearing
after the words "violations thereof" appearing in the 5th line of
section 16, Article IV and inserting in place thereof a period and
striking out the remainder of the section.

Further amend said bill by striking out the figures "300" in the
2nd line of the 3rd paragraph of Article V and inserting in place
thereof the figures '200'.

Further amend said bill by inserting after the words "and in
case of a vacancy in the office of mayor" appearing in the 35th and
36th lines of section 2, Article VI, the words and punctuation ', or
of an alderman, '

Further amend said bill by striking out the word "office" in the
35th line of section 2, Article VI and inserting in place thereof the
word 'offices'.

Further amend said bill by adding at the end of section 2,
Article VI the following paragraph:

'In the event of a vacancy in the office of mayor, or of an
alderman, elections for the selection of a person or persons to fill
the vacancy in said office shall be held as elsewhere herein provided,
within a period of 60 days from the occurrence of such vacancy.'

Further amend said bill by striking out the 1st sentence of
section 1, Article VII and inserting in place thereof the following:

'The superintending school committee shall consist of 3 members
elected at large from the qualified voters of the city for a term of
3 years and until their successors are elected and qualified. The
superintending school committee shall elect 1 of their number as

(over)

chairman. All regular meetings of the committee shall be open to the public.'

Further amend said bill by striking out the word "city" in the 10th line of section 1, Article VIII and inserting in place thereof the word 'assessors'.

Further amend said bill by inserting after the words "person in each ward" appearing in the 11th line of section 1, Article VIII, the words 'provided the city council shall so direct,'

Further amend said bill by inserting after the words "board of assessors" appearing in the 2nd line of the 2nd paragraph of section 1, Article VIII the words 'and the compensation for the assistant assessors'.

Further amend said bill by adding at the end of the 2nd paragraph of section 1, Article VIII the following sentence:

'The assistant assessors shall hold office during the pleasure of the board of assessors.'

Further amend said bill by striking out the words "an executive secretary" appearing in the 1st line of section 2, Article VIII and inserting in place thereof the following words: 'a clerk'.

Further amend said bill by adding the following sentence at the end of section 2, Article VIII: 'The salary of the assessors and the compensation for the assistant assessors shall not be increased or diminished effective during the term in which any assessor or assistant assessor holds office.'

Further amend said bill by striking out the semicolon appearing after the word "provided" in the 17th line of section 1, Article IX and inserting in place thereof a period, and striking out the remainder of the 1st paragraph of section 1, Article IX.

Further amend said bill by inserting the words 'as provided by law' after the words "shall be duly warned" in the 6th line of section 2, Article X.

Further amend said bill by striking out the period after the word "reference" in the last line of section 8, Article X and adding the following: ', but the same shall remain otherwise unaffected by the provisions contained herein.'

Further amend said bill by striking out the words and punctuation "Emergency clause;" appearing in the headnote of the referendum paragraph.

Further amend said bill by striking out all of the 1st sentence of the referendum paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:

'This act shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the city of Saco at the next annual city election, or at any regular state wide election held not less than 6 months nor more than 2 years after the date of approval of this act.'

Further amend said bill by striking out the figures "20%" in the 6th from the last line of the referendum paragraph and inserting in place thereof the figures '30%'.

Reported by the Committee on Legal Affairs.

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