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H. P. 10

House of Representatives, January 9, 1957.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and 750 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Miller of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Election and Salaries of Council Members of City of Portland.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1923, c. 109, Art. II, § 1, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 1 of Article II of chapter 109 of the private and special laws of 1923, as amended by section 1 of chapter 113 of the private and special laws of 1945, is hereby repealed and the following paragraphs enacted in place thereof:

'The city council shall be composed of 9 members. Three shall be elected at large from the registered voters of the entire city, and one shall be elected from each of the 6 districts provided for in section 1 of Article II, by only the registered voters of each respective district. The candidate from each of the 6 districts must be a resident of the district in which he is a candidate.

The provisions of this section shall apply only to the election held after the adoption of this amendment and shall in no way affect the term of office of any member of the city council holding such office at the time of the adoption of this amendment.'

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1923, c. 109, Art. II, § 2, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 2 of Article II of chapter 109 of the private and special laws of 1923, as amended by chapter 108 of the private and special laws of 1955, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Each member shall be entitled to receive as salary the sum of ~~\$750~~ \$1,000 per year, payable quarterly, for all services rendered, and shall not be eligible,

while a member of the council, to any other office of emolument or profit under the city charter or ordinances, nor to hold the office of city manager, nor to act as city manager.'

Sec. 3. Referendum. This act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of this Legislature only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the city of Portland at the next general election therein to be held on the 2nd Monday of September, 1957. For the purposes of such election, the city clerk shall reduce the subject matter to the following question: "Shall 'An Act Relating to Election and Salaries of Council Members of City of Portland' passed by the 98th Legislature be approved?", and the voters shall indicate by a cross, placed within a square upon their ballots, over the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This act shall take effect for all the purposes of this act immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at such election. The result of the vote shall be declared by the municipal officers and certificate thereof filed by the city clerk with the Secretary of State.