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## NINETY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Rancourt of Lewiston.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-SEVEN

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### AN ACT Relating to Planning Board for City of Lewiston.

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**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, the city of Lewiston has shown a steady growth in population over the past several years; and

Whereas, planning for public ways, lands, buildings, bridges and other public places of structure, together with additions to and alterations in such structures already in existence, is vitally necessary for the well-being and safety of the inhabitants of the city of Lewiston; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**P. & S. L., 1939, c. 8, Art. XVI, § 21, repealed and replaced.** Section 21 of Article XVI of chapter 8 of the private and special laws of 1939, as enacted by section 3 of chapter 209 of the private and special laws of 1949, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

#### **'Planning Board**

**Sec. 21. Planning board; composition; compensation.** The city planning board shall be composed of 5 members appointed by the mayor for the term of the mayor.

The council shall provide in its annual appropriation for such sums of money for the functioning of such planning board as is deemed necessary and the

council shall make such other orders, rules and regulations as it deems proper from time to time in relation thereto.

It shall be the duty of the planning board to consider and report upon the designs and their relation to the city plan of all new public ways, lands, buildings, bridges, and all other public places of structure, of additions to and alterations in those already existing, and of the layout and plotting of new subdivisions of the city. All acts of the council or any branch of the city government affecting the city plans shall be submitted to the board for report and recommendation.

Any matter referred by the council to the board shall be acted upon by the board within 15 days of the day of reference, unless a longer or shorter period is specified by the council.'

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.