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H. P. 843

House of Representatives, March 11, 1959

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston.

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### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-NINE

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#### AN ACT to Create a Parking Commission for City of Lewiston.

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

Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1939, c. 8, Art. XV-B, additional. Chapter 8 of the private and special laws of 1939 is amended by adding a new article XV-B, to read as follows:

**'Article XV-B.**

**Parking Commission.**

Sec. 1. Members of the parking commission. The parking commission shall consist of 3 members to be appointed by the mayor for a term of 3 years or until their successors have been appointed and qualified; save that at the time of appointing the first commission under this charter, the mayor shall designate the members whose term shall expire at the expiration of each period of one year for 3 years thereafter. The provisions of article XVI, section 2 shall not apply to the parking commission.

Sec. 2. Powers. The commission is hereby authorized and empowered to construct, maintain, reconstruct and operate parking areas and parking meters, both on street and off street, at locations within the City of Lewiston, and to acquire in the name of the City of Lewiston by purchase, continuation, lease or otherwise real property and rights or easements therein deemed by it necessary or desirable for its purposes and to use and dispose of such property.

Parking lots and meters shall be maintained, repaired by and under the control of the parking commission.

The commission shall receive and be responsible for all revenues derived from the operation of all parking meters and parking areas in the City of Lewiston. The board of finance shall have general supervision and full control over the parking commission so far as it relates to its financial transactions, records and auditing, and to the receiving and disbursement of moneys. No expenditure shall be made by the parking commission unless the approval of the board of finance shall first have been obtained. Subject to the joint approval of the board of finance and the mayor and board of aldermen, said commission is hereby authorized and empowered to issue parking revenue bonds, payable from parking fees and revenues derived from both on street and off street parking meters, which shall be deemed to be a debt or a pledge of the faith and credit of the City of Lewiston. The parking commission may establish a reserve fund by authorizing, at the end of any fiscal year, the transfer of any unencumbered funds derived from said parking meters and parking fees for future use in the construction, operation and maintenance of parking lots and for any other purpose which it shall deem necessary to improve the parking conditions in the City of Lewiston and for the purpose of alleviating crowded streets, congested intersections and the lack of sufficient opportunities to load and unload passengers and freight. The police department shall be charged with the responsibility of the policing of parking meters on any public way.

Sec. 3. Officers, agents and employees. The commission shall have full power and authority to employ such assistants, agents and servants, and other employees, as it shall deem necessary or desirable for its purposes, prescribe their duties, set their compensation subject to the approval of the board of finance, and terminate their employment at pleasure.

Sec. 4. Compensation. The provisions of article XVI, section 7 shall apply to the parking commission.'

Sec. 2. P. & S. L., 1957, c. 2, repealed. Chapter 2 of the private and special laws of 1957 is hereby repealed.