

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

FIFTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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PUBLIC LAWS
OF THE
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CHAP. 70.

Chapter 70.

An Act authorizing Insurance Companies to divide their Directors into Classes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

Directors of insurance companies may be divided into classes.

SECT. 1. All insurance companies, stock or mutual, established in this state, may, by their by-laws, divide their directors into two or three classes, to hold their office for two or three years, according to the number of classes, and until others shall be chosen in their stead.

—term of office.

SECT. 2. At the first election after such classification, the company shall designate the term for which each director is elected, in such manner that one class shall thereafter go out of office annually.

—vacancies, how filled.

SECT. 3. Vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of the term of the class in which they occur. The repeal of such by-law shall not affect the term of the directors then in office; but all directors elected before such repeal shall hold office until the expiration of the term for which they were originally elected.

Approved February 7, 1876.

Chapter 71.

An act to amend chapter fifty-five, section one, of the Revised Statutes, in relation to Libraries, Charitable Societies, and Public Cemeteries.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

Sec. 1, ch. 55, R. S., amended.

The first section of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting 'as a grange of patrons of husbandry,' so as to read as follows, to wit:

Certain miscellaneous societies, how incorporated.

'SECT. 1. When seven or more persons desire to be incorporated as the proprietors of a social, military, literary, scientific, or a county law library; as a masonic lodge, or chapter of any order or degree; as a lodge of the independent order of odd fellows; as a division of the sons of temperance; as a tent of rechabites; as a grange of patrons of husbandry, as a council of the sovereigns of industry; or as a society to promote in any way the cause of temperance; or for any literary, scientific, musical, charitable, or benevolent purpose whatsoever, they may apply in writing to any justice of the peace in the county, and he may issue his warrant, directed to one of said applicants, requiring him to call a meeting of the applicants, at such time and place as the justice appoints.

Approved February 9, 1876.