

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS
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Chapter 287.

An Act to amend the charter of the Portland Institute and Public Library, incorporated January twenty-seven one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, and to change the corporate name.

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

SECT. 1. All the powers, immunities and franchises and affairs of the Portland Institute and Public Library which shall henceforth be called The Portland Public Library, shall perpetually hereafter be exercised, managed and governed by a permanent board to be styled The Trustees of the Portland Public Library; the corporate property shall be used and improved for a free public library for the inhabitants of the city of Portland, and shall be forever exempt from liability to be taken by the city from the management, direction and control of said board of trustees.

SECT. 2. Said board of trustees shall consist of such number, not exceeding twenty, as the life members of the corporation at a meeting specially called for that purpose, and to act upon the acceptance of this act, may determine, and shall in the first instance be elected at such meeting. All vacancies arising from any cause shall be filled by the remaining members of the board.

Name changed.

—powers, shall be exercised by board of trustees.

Number and election of.

—vacancies, how filled.

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Officers.

SECT. 3. The board of trustees shall elect from their number a president, and may appoint a secretary, treasurer, librarian and other proper and necessary officers and assistants, who need not be members of the board. The president and other officers and assistants shall hold office and place during the pleasure of the board of trustees.

—tenure.

By-laws.

SECT. 4. The board of trustees may adopt by-laws for the regulation of their business; and for the use, protection and preservation of the property of the corporation, and of all collections of books, papers, manuscripts, curiosities, antiquities or works of art under its charge; and for the increase and extension of the library by purchase or exchange; and may, by by-law determine what number shall constitute a quorum of the board for the transaction of business; and may establish a system of fines and penalties for the abuse, injury or loss of their property, which system may, from time to time be modified and amended as shall be judged expedient.

—quorum.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved January 16, 1889.

Chapter 288.

An Act to confirm and make valid the acts and votes of the stockholders of the Bath Electric Light and Power Company, in increasing the capital stock and issuing bonds of said corporation.

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

Doings,
increasing
capital stock,
legalized.

SECT. 1. All acts and doings of the stockholders of the Bath Electric Light and Power Company, organized under the laws of this state, chapter two hundred fourteen, of the private and special acts of eighteen hundred eighty-seven, in increasing its capital stock to fifty thousand dollars, divided into five hundred shares, of the par value of one hundred dollars each, are hereby confirmed and declared legal and valid. Said capital stock is hereby declared to be fifty thousand dollars, divided into five hundred shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each.

—capital stock.

Doings, issuing
bonds, legalized.

SECT. 2. All the acts and doings of the stockholders of said corporation in issuing bonds for the construction and enlargement of its plant and works, to the amount of forty