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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1909

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Seventy-fourth
Legislature

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—may be removed for cause. Inconsistent acts and ordinances, repealed.

for inefficiency or other cause at any time by the mayor, by and with the consent of the board of aldermen.

Section 2. All acts or parts of acts and ordinances of the city of Portland inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved April 1, 1909.

Chapter 370.

An Act to amend the Private and Special Laws pertaining to appointments to the Police Department of the City of Portland.

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

Section 6, Chapter 486, special laws, 1885, amended.

Section 1. Section six of chapter four hundred and eighty-six of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-five is hereby amended so that as amended it shall read as follows:

Mayor shall appoint chief of police.

‘Section 6. The chief of police shall be appointed by the mayor and shall hold office for the term of five years, subject, however, after a hearing, to removal at any time by the mayor by and with the advice and consent of the aldermen, for inefficiency or other cause. The mayor may, for cause, suspend the chief of police from duty and such suspension shall continue in force until the next meeting of the aldermen. Upon the suspension of the chief of police, the duties of his office shall devolve temporarily upon the captain of police having seniority of appointment. The present chief of police shall be eligible to appointment under the provisions of this section, and if appointed his term of office shall begin from the time this act takes effect. Vacancies in said office shall be filled from the unexpired term.’

—mayor may suspend chief of police.

—present chief eligible.

—vacancies, how filled.

Section 1, Chapter 252, special laws, 1887, amended.

Section 2. Section one of chapter two hundred and fifty-two of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven is hereby amended so that as amended it shall read as follows:

Captains of police of Portland, how appointed.

‘Section 2. Excepting as hereinafter provided, every appointment of captain of police shall be made by the mayor by selection, on recommendation of the chief of police, from those persons who have been regular members of the police force for a continuous period of at least twelve months before such appointment, and they may be reduced to the rank of policemen by the mayor, upon the written recommendation of the chief of police. They may be removed or suspended in the manner provided in chapter sixteen of the private and special

—may be removed or suspended.

CHAP. 371

laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight. The present captains of police shall be eligible to appointment as captains of police and, if appointed, may be removed in the manner hereinbefore provided, but shall not be reduced to the rank of policemen.'

—present
captains
eligible.

Section 3. The city council of the city of Portland may by ordinance classify policemen and may provide for the appointment of police sergeants who shall be taken from the police ranks.

City council
may clas-
sify police-
men.

Section 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

inconsis-
tent acts
repealed.

Approved April 1, 1909.

Chapter 371.

An Act to amend Chapter two hundred and forty of the Private and Special Laws of nineteen hundred and seven, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Stonington Water Company."

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

Section 1. Chapter two hundred and forty of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and seven is hereby amended by adding after section fifteen of said chapter the two following sections:

Chapter
240, special
laws, 1907,
amended.

'Section 16. The town of Stonington is hereby authorized and empowered to purchase and own stock of the Stonington Water Company to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars at the market value of said stock at the time when said purchase may be made, and the person or persons and the Stonington Water Company from whom the said stock may be purchased are hereby authorized to transfer the same to said town, and the municipal officers of said town shall appoint some person to vote the stock so purchased as they may direct in all meetings of said Stonington Water Company.'

Town au-
thorized to
purchase
stock of
Stoning-
ton
Water Co.
to an
amount not
exceeding
\$10,000.

'Section 17. For the purpose of raising money to carry out the provisions of the foregoing section of this act the town of Stonington is hereby authorized to issue its bonds with interest coupons, in behalf of said town, signed by the municipal officers of said town and the treasurer of said town, in an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars.'

Town may
issue bonds.

Approved April 1, 1909.