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procure by loan on the faith and responsibility of said county of York, a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, exclusive of and in addition to the loans authorized by statute, for the purpose of erecting necessary additions to the York county court house, and furnishing the same. And the said treasurer is hereby authorized to issue the bonds of said county, with interest coupons attached, to the amount of said loan, said bonds to bear interest, payable semi-annually at a rate not exceeding four and one-half per centum per annum, the principal to be payable at such times, not later than ten years from the date thereof as the county commissioners of York county may fix. Said issue of bonds shall be issued in such denominations as the county commissioners shall determine, and shall be signed by said treasurer, and countersigned by the county commissioners, and the coupons attached thereto shall bear the facsimile signature of the county treasurer. The county commissioners are hereby authorized to create a sinking fund to provide for the retirement of said bonds at maturity.

Approved April 15, 1927.

Chapter 120.

An Act Relating to the Tenure of Office of the Chief Engineer and Members of the Fire Department in the City of Biddeford.

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

Sec. 1. Tenure of office of members of fire department; removals from office. The chief engineer and any member of the fire department in the city of Biddeford hereafter appointed or elected, shall hold office continuously during good behavior unless incapacitated through physical or mental disability from performing the duties of his position; provided, however, that the mayor of the city, with the consent of the majority of the board of aldermen, may remove the chief engineer or any member of the fire department for just cause and for reasons specifically given by the officer or board ordering the removal.

Sec. 2. Notice to persons in cases of removal. The person sought to be removed shall have notice and shall be furnished with a copy of the reasons required to be given in section one and shall be allowed a reasonable time to answer the same in writing. A copy of such reasons, notice and answer and of the order of removal shall be made a matter of public record of the fire department.

Sec. 3. Local referendum provided for. This act shall not be effective until the same has been approved by a majority vote of the inhabitants in said city, qualified to vote in municipal affairs, at any municipal election

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held before December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and twenty-eight. The city clerk shall reduce the subject matter to the following question: "Shall the city accept the provisions of the act relating to the tenure of the office of the chief engineer and members of the fire department," and the voters shall indicate by a cross placed within a square upon their ballots, opposite the words "Yes" or "No," their opinion of the same.

Sec. 4. Inconsistent acts repealed. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved April 15, 1927.

Chapter 121.

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Bangor Gas Light Company by an Increase in Its Capital Stock.

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

Sec. 1. Increase of capital stock authorized. The Bangor Gas Light Company, a corporation created by act of the legislature and charged with the performance of a public duty, is hereby authorized to increase its capital stock from time to time in such amounts and for such lawful purposes as may be approved by the public utilities commission.

Sec. 2. Terms and conditions of issue. The stock authorized by this act may be issued either as common or preferred, from time to time, and upon such terms and conditions as the corporation may determine; provided, however, that the issue of such capital stock shall be subject to the provisions of section thirty-seven of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes, and acts amendatory thereof.

Approved April 15, 1927.

Chapter 122.

An Act Creating a City Planning Board for the City of Rockland. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

P. & S. L., 1923, c. 106; relating to city charter; additional. Chapter one hundred and six of the private and special laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three, providing a new charter for the city of Rockland, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following new sections:

'Sec. 32. City planning board provided for. There shall be a city planning board for the city of Rockland to consist of three members appointed.