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Sec. 1. Regular sessions of the Common Council shall be held at the Council Hall at their regular session under this act and every other regular session of the Common Council shall commence on the second Monday after the census shall have been completed, and before proceeding to any other business, apportion the representation among the several districts and wards on the basis of the number of qualified voters as aforesaid. A representative number shall be fixed, and each district shall have as many aldermen and assistant aldermen as it is entitled to, and additional aldermen for every fraction exceeding three-fourths of the representative number, and one ward shall have as many aldermen and assistant aldermen for every fraction exceeding three-fourths of the representative number.

Provided, that the number of aldermen shall never be less than ten nor more than twenty, and the number of assistant aldermen shall never be less than twenty nor more than twenty-five; and provided further, that each ward shall have at least one alderman.

Sec. 18. The members of the board of Aldermen and assistant aldermen elected on the fourth Monday in March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, shall meet at four o'clock in the afternoon of the Monday next succeeding the fourth Monday in March, and shall immediately organize by choosing a President and the doors shall be open to the public, which the public welfare shall require secrecy. A majority of each shall be a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day and may compel the attendance of absent members. Each board shall appoint a president from its own body who shall serve one year, but shall appoint clerks and other officers, by ballot at the election returns and qualification of their own members, keep a minute of its proceedings and have power to direct special elections to fill vacancies in its body, to judge of the qualifications, and expel a member for cause, and decide all questions of the members elected. No new laws nor ordinances shall take effect until the second Monday after the passage thereof, but such laws and ordinances shall be published in two newspapers within ten days after their passage, and shall be of no force unless remain a period of a special election within two weeks thereafter to suspend such laws and ordinances, provided, however, that such special election shall not be ordered in the last three months of the term of office of the regular member to vote. The year and nays shall be called at each board, at the request of any two members.

The two boards shall elect first meeting in one general place of session at the Municipal Rooms, and have supervisory powers and shall have each their own proceedings and seals, and they need not separate before and shall not adjourn at the same time, nor for more than a week. Each board may originate, amend, alter or repeal any ordinance or resolution, except appropriations, which shall be referred to the other board, and shall have the same effect as if both boards had acted together in the Common Council, these boards shall have power to meet in joint session, which always act as a single body, but have separate and joint committees on such subjects as to them may seem expedient, and specially direct, except in the resolution appropriating money. No ordinance (except in an appropriation bill) shall be passed, except by a majority of the members of each board, and shall be approved by the mayor before it shall take effect, or be passed over his veto by two-thirds of the members of each board, except by a majority of the members of each board, and shall be approved by the