

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Second Legislature.

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HOUSE.

133.

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STATE OF MAINE.

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RESOLVE concerning an amendment of the Constitution of Maine.

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*Resolved*, That the following amendment to the  
2 constitution of this State be proposed for the action  
3 of the legal voters of this State in the manner  
4 provided by the constitution, viz:

“AMENDMENT.”

5 “The election of governor, senators and rep-  
6 resentatives shall be on Tuesday next after the  
7 first Monday of November, biennially, forever.”  
8 Section four of article two is amended by sub-  
9 stituting the words ‘Tuesday next after the first  
10 Monday of November’ for the words “the second  
11 Monday of September” wherever it occurs, in said  
12 section. The first election under this article shall

13 be in the year one thousand eight hundred and  
14 eighty-eight.

15 *Resolved*, That the aldermen of cities, the  
16 selectmen of towns, and the assessors of the sev-  
17 eral plantations of this State, are hereby empow-  
18 ered and directed to notify the voters of their re-  
19 spective cities, towns and plantations, in the manner  
20 prescribed by law, at the meeting in September,  
21 A. D. 1886, to give in their votes upon the amend-  
22 ment proposed in the foregoing resolution; and the  
23 question shall be ' Shall the constitution be amended  
24 as proposed by a resolution of the legislature, provid-  
25 ing that the election of governor, senator and rep-  
26 resentative shall be on the Tuesday next following  
27 the first Monday of November biennially; and the  
28 inhabitants of the said cities, towns and plantations  
29 shall vote by ballot on said question, those in favor  
30 of said amendment expressing it by the word 'yes,'  
31 upon their ballots, and those opposed to the amend-  
32 ment expressing it by the word 'no,' upon their  
33 ballots, and the ballots shall be received, sorted,  
34 counted and declared in open ward, town and  
35 plantation meeting, and lists of the votes so re-  
36 ceived shall be made and returned to the Secretary  
37 of State in the same manner as votes for governor;  
38 and the governor and council shall count the same

39 and make return thereof to the legislature; and if  
40 a majority of the votes are in favor of said amend-  
41 ment, the constitution shall be amended accordingly.

42 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of State shall  
43 prepare and furnish to the several cities, towns and  
44 plantations, ballots and blank returns in conformity  
45 to the foregoing resolves, accompanied with a copy  
46 thereof.

## MINORITY REPORT.

The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred the Order of the Legislature relating to an amendment of the Constitution to fix the time of holding the State elections on Tuesday next after the first Monday of November biennially, have had the same under consideration, and a minority of said Committee ask leave to report the accompanying Resolve, entitled “Resolve relating to an amendment of the Constitution of Maine.”

J. E. MOORE.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 19, 1885. }

On motion of Mr. MOORE of Thomaston, ordered printed.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, *Clerk.*