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House of Representatives, January 11, 1939.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.
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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Cowan of Portland.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Primary Nominations.

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

R. S., c. 7, § 16, amended. Section 16 of chapter 7 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 75 of the public laws of 1931, is hereby further amended by adding at the end of the 1st paragraph thereof the following:

‘In the case of candidates for governor, United States senator, or representative to congress, if said tabulation discloses that no candidate received a majority of the votes cast in his district by the voters of his party, then the secretary of state shall immediately notify each of the candidates for said office of such failure of any candidate to receive a majority of such votes, and the voters of the district in which such failure to cast a majority of votes for any one candidate for the offices above enumerated shall be warned of an election to be held on the 4th Tuesday of July in said district at which a ballot shall be provided by the secretary of state as herein set forth for primary elections, which ballot shall bear the names of those offices only for which no candidate secured a majority of the votes cast for said offices, and shall contain the names of the 2 candidates for each of such offices receiving the greatest number of votes at the original primary election. The conduct of said 2nd primary shall be as herein provided for

the conduct of primary elections. The votes shall be counted, and shall be tabulated by the governor and council by the 1st Tuesday of August, and the person receiving the highest number of votes for nomination to each of said offices at said 2nd election shall be deemed to have been nominated by his political party for that office.'