

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 99th LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "C" to S. P. 264, L. D. 677, Bill, "An Act to Author-

ize the County Commissioners of Cumberland County to Issue Bonds

for Construction of a County Jail."

Amend said Bill by striking out the emergency clause at the end and inserting in place thereof the following referendum:

'<u>Referendum for ratification</u>. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the County of Cumberland at the next special state-wide election to be held on the 2nd Monday of September, 1959. The aldermen of the cities and the selectmen of the towns of Cumberland County are hereby empowered and directed to notify the inhabitants of their respective cities and towns to meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and holding biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of Senators and Representatives.

At the next special state-wide election to be held on the 2nd Monday of September, 1959, the inhabitants of Cumberland County shall give in their votes upon the subject matter of this act. The question shall be: "Shall the County Commissioners of Cumberland County be authorized to issue bonds for construction of a county jail to the amount of \$1,350,000, in accordance with an act passed by the 99th Legislature?"

The inhabitants of said cities and towns shall vote by ballot on said question and shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed agains the words "yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward and town meetings and returns made to the office of the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for Governor and members of the Legislature.

This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority vote of the legal voters voting at said election; provided the total vote for and against the acceptance of this act at said election equaled or exceeded 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor in said County of Cumberland at the next preceding gubernatorial election.

Secretary of State shall prepare ballots. The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to the several cities and towns ballots and blank returns in conformity with the foregoing act, accompanied by a copy thereof. The County of Cumberland shall reimburse the Secretary of State for the expense necessarily incurred in preparing and furnishing the ballots and returns.'

Filed by Mr. Healy of Portland.

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