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OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

1875.

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RESOLVES

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Chapter 89.

Resolve concerning an amendment of the constitution of Maine, relating to election of senators by plurality vote.

Amendment of constitution.

Resolved, That the following amendment to the constitution of this state be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this state, in the manner required by the constitution, to wit:

Election of senators by plurality vote.

Senators, election of.

Senators shall be elected by a plurality of the votes given in by the qualified voters.

Secs. 4, 5, art. 4, amendment of.

Sections four and five of article four, part second of the constitution, are amended by striking out the word "majority" wherever it occurs in said sections, and inserting instead thereof the word 'plurality.'

Approved February 24, 1875.

Chapter 90.

Resolve concerning an amendment of the constitution of Maine, relating to special legislation and corporations.

Amendment of the constitution.

Resolved, That the following amendment to the constitution of this state be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this state, in the manner required by the constitution, to wit:

Relating to special legislation and corporations.

Amend article four, part third, of the constitution, by adding thereto the following sections:

Provisions for special legislation

Section 13. The legislature shall, from time to time, provide, as far as practicable, by general laws, for all matters usually appertaining to special or private legislation.

Corporations, how formed.

Section 14. Corporations shall be formed under general laws, and shall not be created by special acts of the legislature, except for municipal purposes and in cases where the objects of the corporation cannot otherwise be attained; and, however formed,

—subject to general laws.

they shall forever be subject to the general laws of the state.

Approved February 24, 1875.

Chapter 91.

Resolve concerning an amendment of the constitution of Maine, relating to taxation.

Amendment of the constitution.

Resolved, That the following amendment to the constitution of this state be proposed for the action of the legal voters of this state, in the manner required by the constitution, to wit: