

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# STATE OF MAINE,

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**TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE.**

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**NO. 13.]**

**[HOUSE.**

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**A N A C T**

**IN RELATION TO**

**COUNTY OFFICERS.**

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED  
AND FORTY-TWO.

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AN ACT for the election of certain County Officers.

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SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and  
2 House of Representatives in Legislature assem-  
3 bled,* That there shall be chosen annually in each  
4 County in this State, on the second Monday of  
5 September, by the written votes of such persons  
6 as are qualified to vote for Senators and Repre-  
7 sentatives in the several cities, towns and plan-  
8 tations, three persons for County Commissioners,  
9 one person for Clerk of the Courts, and one for  
10 County Attorney, being residents within their  
11 respective Counties; the votes to be received,  
12 sorted, counted and declared, in like manner as  
13 the votes for Representatives, the names of the  
14 persons voted for, and the number each person

15 had, shall be recorded by the clerk in the city,  
16 town or plantation books; and true copies of  
17 said records, attested in the same manner as the  
18 returns of votes for Senators, shall be trans-  
19 mitted to the office of Secretary of State, within  
20 twenty days from said second Monday of Sep-  
21 tember.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the Gov-  
2 ernor and Council, on or before the first Monday  
3 of December, in each year, shall open and com-  
4 pare the votes returned as specified in the first  
5 section of this act; and the persons having a  
6 majority of the votes for either of the offices  
7 aforesaid, after being notified of his election by  
8 the Secretary of State, and being duly sworn,  
9 shall enter upon the duties of their respective  
10 offices, on the first Monday of January, in each  
11 year.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That if, upon  
2 comparing the votes as aforesaid, no person shall  
3 have a majority of the votes, or the person  
4 chosen to either of said offices, shall die or  
5 resign, or move out of the County, before the  
6 time for which he was elected shall expire, then

7 and in such case the Governor with advice of  
8 Council, shall appoint some suitable person to fill  
9 the vacancy, until another shall be chosen in his  
10 place.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That the person  
2 first named on the list or ticket, for the choice  
3 of Commissioners, shall be Chairman of the  
4 Board, if he be chosen; if not, the Governor  
5 with advice of Council, shall designate the one  
6 to act as Chairman. And all acts and parts of  
7 acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act,  
8 be and the same are hereby repealed.

# STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
February 2, 1842. }

ORDERED, That 300 copies of the foregoing Bill be printed  
for the use of the House.

(Extract from the Journal.)

WM. T. JOHNSON, *Clerk.*