

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

DURING ITS SESSIONS

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[HOUSE.

A N A C T

FOR APPOINTING

REPRESENTATIVES TO CONGRESS.

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STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT providing for the choice of Representa-
tives to Congress.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Rep-
2 resentatives in Legislature assembled—as follows :*

3 SECT. 1. The county of York together with
4 the towns of Hiram, Porter, Brownfield and
5 Denmark from the county of Oxford, and the
6 towns of Bridgton, Harrison and Otisfield from
7 the county of Cumberland, shall compose the
8 first district and be entitled to one Representa-
9 tive.

10 The remainder of the county of Cumberland
11 shall compose the second district and be entitled
12 to one Representative.

13 The county of Lincoln shall compose the

14 third district and be entitled to one Representa-
15 tive.

16 The remainder of the county of Oxford and
17 the county of Franklin, together with all of the
18 county of Somerset north of the south line of
19 Starks and east of the Kennebec river, shall
20 compose the fourth district and be entitled to
21 one Representative.

22 The remainder of the county of Somerset ex-
23 cept the towns hereinafter annexed to the sixth
24 district and the county of Kennebec, except the
25 towns hereinafter annexed to the sixth district
26 shall compose the fifth district and be entitled to
27 one Representative.

28 The county of Waldo, together with the towns
29 of China, Vassalborough, Albion, Winslow and
30 Clinton and Clinton Gore and the territory north
31 of Albion from the county of Kennebec, and the
32 towns of Chandlerville, Pittsfield, Canaan, Hart-
33 land, Palmyra, St. Albans, Harmony, Ripley and
34 Cambridge from the county of Somerset, shall
35 compose the sixth district and be entitled to one
36 Representative.

37 The counties of Penobscot and Piscataquis

38 shall compose the seventh district and be entitled
39 to one Representative.

40 The counties of Hancock, Washington and
41 Aroostook, shall compose the eighth district and
42 be entitled to one Representative.

43 The Representatives chosen in the several
44 districts shall at the time of their election be resi-
45 dents therein. The foregoing division of the
46 State into Representative Districts shall be and
47 continue in force until an apportionment of
48 Representatives among the several States shall
49 be made by Congress after the taking of the
50 seventh Census, *provided* the ratio which may
51 be established in apportioning Representatives
52 according to the sixth Census shall be such as
53 to entitle this State to the aforesaid number of
54 eight Representatives.

SECT. 2. The election for Representatives to
2 Congress shall take place and be on the second
3 Monday of September, one thousand eight hun-
4 dred and forty-two, and thereafter biennially.

SECT. 3. So much of section three of an act
2 entitled "an act providing for the choice of
3 Representatives to Congress," approved Febru-
4 ary twenty-eighth, A. D. eighteen hundred and

5 thirty-three as relates to the manner of calling
6 meetings for the choice of Representatives to
7 Congress and the duties of officers of towns in
8 presiding in said meetings and making returns
9 of votes, and also sections four, five, six and
10 seven of said act, shall continue and be in force,
11 except so far as the same may have been chang-
12 ed by the Revised Statutes of this State.

SECT. 4. If Congress in apportioning Repre-
2 sentatives among the several States according to
3 the sixth Census, shall fix upon a ratio which
4 will entitle this State to a less or greater number
5 of Representatives than eight, the Governor shall
6 issue a proclamation announcing the number to
7 which the State may be entitled, and requiring the
8 qualified voters in the State to assemble in their
9 respective towns at the times and under the reg-
10 ulations provided in this act, to give in their
11 votes for the number of Representatives to Con-
12 gress to which the State may be entitled, *pro-*
13 *vided* that only one Representative shall be taken
14 from any one county.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 14, 1842. }

ORDERED, That 400 copies of the foregoing Bill be printed
for the use of the Legislature.

Attest,

WM. T. JOHNSON, *Clerk.*