

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

DURING ITS SESSION

A. D. 1856.

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R U L E S

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

OF THE

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IN COUNCIL, January 9, 1856.

The committee appointed to prepare a code of Rules to be observed by the Board for the current political year, having attended to the duty assigned them, recommend the following:

Which is respectfully submitted.

HASTINGS STRICKLAND, *Chairman.*

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Read and accepted by the Council, and by the Governor approved.

ATTEST: CALEB R. AYER, *Secretary of State.*

## R U L E S .

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1. At the time appointed for the meeting of the board, it shall be the duty of the members to be in their places.

2. When the board shall have been called to order by the governor, the journal of the preceding day shall be read by the secretary of state.

3. When members address the governor, they shall do so standing in their places.

4. The following standing committees shall be appointed, (viz.) on warrants; on county treasurers' accounts; on military affairs; on pardons and state prison affairs; on reform school; on Indian affairs; on the insane hospital; on the deaf, dumb and blind; on public buildings; and on the pay roll.

5. All committees shall be appointed by the governor, and shall consist of three members, unless otherwise ordered,

6. No member shall act as counsel for any party before a committee of the legislature.

7. No member shall absent himself without leave, unless a quorum be left at the board.

8. In case the governor should be absent at the time appointed for the meeting of the board, the members shall be called to order by the senior councilor present, who shall act as chairman.

9. All communications to the two branches of the legislature shall be transmitted by the secretary of state.

10. No person, except the bearer of a message from the senate or house of representatives, shall be admitted into the council chamber during the sessions of the council; nor at any other time, except by permission of the governor, one of the councilors, or the secretary of state.

11. Persons having business with the governor, any member of the council, or the secretary of state, shall be required to make their wishes known through the messenger.

12. Every member who shall present a petition, shall place his name thereon, and a brief statement of its contents.

13. The yeas and nays shall be called by the governor upon the nomination of all officers of important grade. Upon the nomination of state officers, the call to begin with the senior councilor; upon county nominations, with the councilor from said county, and then according to seniority.

14. Before the question is taken upon the confirmation of any nomination, any councilor having objections thereto, may state the same and the reasons therefor; which may be discussed by any member of the board; but no member shall speak more than twice upon the same nomination, without special leave.

15. No rule shall be dispensed with, except by the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

16. Such councilors as may approve the doings of the board in their absence, shall, upon examination thereof, have the privilege of signing the record.

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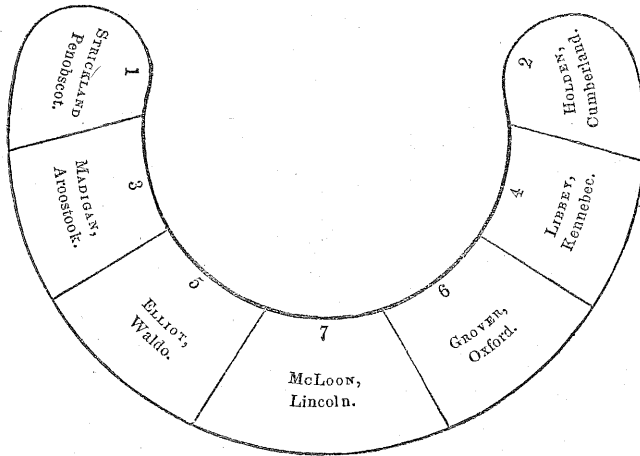
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SAMUEL WELLS,

Governor.

CALEB R. AYER,

Secretary of State.



COUNCIL CHAMBER.

1856.

Door.

Door.

Door.

ANTE-ROOM.

JOSEPH F. PRATT,

Messenger.

Stove.

Window.

Window.

Door.

Door.

Window.

Fire-place.

Window.

Fire-place.

Window.

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

FOR 1856.

GOVERNOR.

SAMUEL WELLS.

COUNCILORS.

HASTINGS STRICKLAND, BANGOR.

ALPHEUS S. HOLDEN, CASCO.

JAMES C. MADIGAN, HOULTON.

ARTEMAS LIBBEY, ALBION.

ROBERT ELLIOT, FREEDOM.

ABERNETHY GROVER, ALBANY.

WILLIAM McLOON, ROCKLAND.

CALEB R. AYER, SECRETARY OF STATE.

JOSEPH P. PRATT, MESSENGER.





STANDING COMMITTEES  
OF THE  
**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**  
FOR 1856.

ON WARRANTS.

Messrs. HOLDEN, GROVER and STRICKLAND.

ON COUNTY AFFAIRS.

Messrs. McLOON, LIBBEY and MADIGAN.

ON MILITARY AFFAIRS.

Messrs. STRICKLAND, GROVER and LIBBEY.

ON PARDONS AND STATE PRISON AFFAIRS.

Messrs. MADIGAN, STRICKLAND ELLIOT and  
McLOON.

ON INDIAN AFFAIRS.

Messrs. LIBBEY, ELLIOT and MADIGAN.

ON INSANE HOSPITAL.

Messrs. GROVER, McLOON and LIBBEY.

ON DEAF, DUMB AND BLIND.

Messrs. HOLDEN, MADIGAN and STRICKLAND.

ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Messrs. MADIGAN, GROVER and LIBBEY.

ON REFORM SCHOOL.

Messrs. MADIGAN, HOLDEN and ELLIOT.

ON PAY ROLL.

Messrs. ELLIOT, HOLDEN and GROVER.