

STATE OF MAINE SENATE 104th LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 1, L.D. 15, Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Providing for Annual Legislative Sessions.

Amend said Resolve in the 10th line (9th and 10th lines of L.D. 15) by striking out the underlined words "<u>next annual</u>" and inserting in place thereof the underlined word '<u>first</u>'; and by adding after the word "Legislature" the underlined words '<u>following the biennial election</u>'

Further amend said Resolve by inserting before the "Form of question" the following:

'<u>Constitution, Article V, Part Second, Section 2, amended.</u> Section 2 of Part Second of Article V of the Constitution is amended to read as follows:

Section 2. Election; vacancies; privileged from arrest. The Councillors shall be chosen biennially, on the first Wednesday of January, by joint ballot of the Senators and Representatives in convention; and vacancies, which shall afterwards happen, shall be filled in the following manner: the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council shall appoint within thirty days from said vacancy a Councillor from the same district in which the vacancy occurred, and the oath of office shall be administered by the Governor; said Councillor shall hold office

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until the next-eenvening <u>first meeting</u> of the Legislature <u>following the biennial election</u>; but not more than one Councillor shall be elected or appointed from any district prescribed for the election of Senators; they shall be privileged from arrest in the same manner as Senators and Representatives.'

Proposed by the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT

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