

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

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House of Representatives, January 27, 1983

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10 Presented by Representative Baker of Portland.

Cosponsors: Senator Clark of Cumberland, Representative Masterton of
Cape Elizabeth and Representative Maybury of Brewer.

12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 JOINT RESOLUTION TO RATIFY AN AMENDMENT
18 TO THE FEDERAL CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE FOR
19 REPRESENTATION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
20 IN THE CONGRESS
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22 WHEREAS, the 95th Congress of the United States
23 of America at its second session, in both Houses, by
24 a constitutional majority of two-thirds thereof,
25 adopted the following proposition to amend the Con-
26 stitution of the United States of America in the fol-
27 lowing words, to wit:

28 JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT
29 TO THE CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE FOR REPRESENTATION
30 OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA IN THE CONGRESS

31 "Resolved by the Senate and House of Representa-
32 tives of the United States of America in Congress
33 assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring
34 therein), that the following article is proposed as

1 an amendment to the Constitution of the United
2 States, which shall be valid to all intents and pur-
3 poses as part of the Constitution when ratified by
4 the Legislatures of three-fourths of the several
5 states within seven years from the date of its sub-
6 mission by the Congress.

7 ARTICLE

8 "Section 1. For purposes of representation in
9 the Congress, election of the President and Vice-
10 President, and Article V of this Constitution, the
11 District constituting the seat of government of the
12 United States shall be treated as though it were a
13 State.

14 "Section 2. The exercise of the rights and
15 powers conferred under this article shall be by the
16 people of the District constituting the seat of gov-
17 ernment, and as shall be provided by the Congress.

18 "Section 3. The twenty-third article of amend-
19 ment to the Constitution of the United States is
20 hereby repealed.

21 "Section 4. This article shall be inoperative,
22 unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to
23 the Constitution by the Legislatures of three-fourths
24 of the several States within seven years from the
25 date of its submission."; now, therefore, be it

26 RESOLVED: By the Members of the Senate and the
27 House of Representatives of the 111th Legislature,
28 now assembled, that such proposed amendment to the
29 Constitution of the United States of America be and
30 the same is hereby ratified; and be it further

31 RESOLVED: That certified copies of this Resolu-
32 tion be forwarded by the Secretary of State to the
33 Administrator of General Services, Washington, D.C.,
34 and the President of the Senate and the Speaker of
35 the House of Representatives of the Congress of the
36 United States.

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