

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FORTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 89.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE providing for the revision and consolidation of
the public laws of the state.

Resolved, That the governor and council be, and
2 hereby are authorized to cause all the general and
3 public laws of the state in force, and such as shall be
4 enacted by the present legislature, to be faithfully re-
5 vised, collated and consolidated ; preserving unchanged
6 the order and arrangement of the present revised code,
7 and retaining the phraseology thereof, except so far as
8 it may be necessary to vary it by incorporating the
9 subsequent laws therewith, and such subsequent laws
10 as are in force at the time of the revision, shall be in-
11 corporated into the revised code in the appropriate
12 chapters and sections thereof in language concise and
13 intelligible, and of the same intent effect and con-
14 struction ; leaving out of the new revision all such
15 parts of the present revised statutes as have been re-

16 pealed or superseded; and so modifying other pro-
17 visions as to conform to subsequent laws, and also to
18 cause to be carefully examined, and changed to con-
19 form to the new revision, the head notes and marginal
20 notes; and to be added, references to the recent
21 adjudged cases interpreting the statutes; and cause
22 to be prepared a copious and perfect general index to
23 all the provisions of the revised code.

Resolved, That the governor, with the advice and
2 consent of the council, be and hereby is empowered to
3 contract with some competent person or persons to
4 perform the services hereinbefore specified; and, with
5 the advice and consent of the council, the governor is
6 hereby further empowered to contract with the same
7 or with other person or persons to have printed, before
8 the first day of January next, to be thereafter bound and
9 delivered to the state, fifteen hundred copies of such
10 revision of the public statutes; with the constitution
11 of the United States and of this state, as they have
12 been severally amended, prefixed thereto; and an
13 appendix added thereto, similar to that contained in
14 the present edition of the revised statutes, with such
15 other and additional stipulations and specifications as
16 to the governor and council may seem suitable and
17 proper to give effect to the intent and purpose by this
18 resolve contemplated. But no part of the new revision

19 shall be printed by virtue of this resolve until it shall
20 have been examined and approved by two suitable and
21 competent persons, whom the governor, with the
22 advice and consent of the council, is hereby authorized
23 to designate and appoint for that purpose.

Resolved, That in case no contract shall be made as
1 herein before provided, the governor with the advice
2 and consent of the council, may, if he shall so elect,
3 appoint three suitable and competent persons to be com-
4 missioners, whose duty shall be to revise the public
5 statutes, in the manner hereinbefore provided ; who
6 shall make a report of their doings to the next legis-
7 lature, on or before the tenth day of its session ; and
8 he may draw his warrant on the treasury of the state
9 from time to time for the amount of the expenses of
10 the commissioners, and a reasonable compensation for
11 their services.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March, 8, 1869. }

Presented, by leave, by Mr. HUBBARD of Wiscasset, and
ordered printed.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, *Clerk.*