

FIFTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 63.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX.

AN ACT to amend section forty-five of chapter four of the revised statutes relating to elections.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section forty-five of chapter four of the 2 revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after 3 the word "ward," in the seventh line of said section, 4 the following: "and for that purpose an affidavit of 5 such person setting forth the facts essential, subscribed 6 and sworn to before any justice of the peace, shall be 7 sufficient evidence," so that said section, as amended, 8 shall read as follows:

9 Sect. 45. In cities containing one thousand and 10 more qualified voters the aldermen shall be in session 11 on each of not less than three secular days next pre-12 ceding any day of election when a list of voters is re-

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13 quired, at some central and convenient place, to receive 14 evidence of the qualifications of voters whose names are 15 not on the lists; and on satisfactory evidence pro-16 duced at such session they shall enter the name of the 17 person qualified on the list of the proper ward, and for 18 that purpose an affidavit of such person, setting forth 19 the facts essential, subscribed and sworn to before any 20 justice of the peace, shall be sufficient evidence. And 21 no application shall be received after the hour of five 22 o'clock afternoon on the secular day next preceding 23 said day of election, and no names shall be added to 24 the lists of voters on the day of election by certificate 25 or otherwise. In cities containing a less number of 26 voters, the aldermen shall hold, prior to the day of 27 election, the same number of sessions for receiving such :28 evidence as selectmen of towns having a similar num-:29 ber of inhabitants are required to hold.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 3, 1876.

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