

FIFTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 135.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE concerning an amendment to the constitution of Maine.

Resolved, That the following amendment to the 2 constitution of this state be proposed for the action of 3 the legal voters of this state in the manner required 4 by the constitution, to wit:

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BRIBERY AT ELECTIONS.

6 No person who shall receive, expect or offer to 7 receive, or pay, offer or promise to pay, contribute, 8 offer or promise to contribute to another, to be paid or 9 used, any money or other valuable thing as a compen-10 sation or reward for the giving or withholding a vote 11 at an election, who shall make any promise to influence 12 the giving or withholding any such vote, or who shall 13 make or become directly or indirectly interested in any 14 bet or wager depending upon the result of any election, 15 shall vote at such election; and upon challenge of such

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16 cause, the person so challenged before the officers au-17 thorized for that purpose, shall receive his vote, shall 18 swear or affirm before such officers that he has not re-19 ceived or offered, does not expect to receive, has not 20 paid, offered or promised to pay, and does not intend 21 to pay, contributed, offered or promised to contribute, 22 and does not intend to contribute to another, to be paid 23 or used, any money or other valuable thing, as a com-24 pensation or reward for the giving or withholding a 25 vote at such an election, nor make or become directly 26 or indirectly interested in any bet or wager depending 27 upon the result of such election.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 19, 1876.

Reported from the Committee on the Judiciary by Mr. PIKE of Caluis, and ordered printed under the Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, Clerk.