

FIFTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 11.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

[S. 11.] AN ACT to amend section fifty-two of chapter three of the revised statutes, relating to the returns of plantations.

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

Said section is hereby amended by adding the follow-2 ing words: "But this section shall not apply to 3 plantations containing less than fifty inhabitants," so 4 that it shall read amended as follows:

5 The clerks of organized plantations shall make 6 returns to the secretary of state on blanks by him 7 furnished for that purpose, on or before the first day 8 of July annually, of the names of the assessors and 9 clerks of their several plantations, and that the same 10 have been duly sworn; and when any such return is

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11 not made by any such plantation, the secretary of 12 state shall not furnish such plantation with blanks for 13 election returns, and no votes purporting to be cast by 14 any plantation neglecting to make such return, shall 15 be considered or allowed by the governor and council. 16 But when a plantation is organized after the first day 17 of July of any year, such return is not required to be 18 made by the clerk thereof during such year. But the 19 votes of such plantations shall not be counted or 20 allowed by the governor and council for any purpose, 21 during the year of its organization, unless such organi-22 zation be made at least sixty days prior to the second 23 Monday in September. But this section shall not 24 apply to plantations containing less than fifty inhabi-25 tants.

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IN SENATE, January 26, 1876.

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SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary.