

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# FIFTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE.

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HOUSE.

No. 94.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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RESOLVE for amendment of the constitution.

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*Resolved*, Two-thirds of both branches of the legislature concurring, that the constitution of this state shall be amended as follows :

The governor, senators and representatives in the legislature, shall be elected biennially, and hold office two years from the first Wednesday of January next succeeding their election ; and the legislature at the first session next after the adoption of this article shall make all needful provisions by law in relation to the tenure of all county officers. The first election under this article shall be in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, and the legislature shall thereafter convene on the first Wednesday of January biennially.

Article two, section four ; article four, part one, section five ; article four, part two, section five ; article

17 four, part three, section one ; article five, part two,  
18 section two ; article five, part three, section one ; arti-  
19 cle five, part four, section one ; article seven, section  
20 three ; article nine, sections four, eleven and twelve,  
21 are amended, by substituting the word “biennially”  
22 for “annually” wherever it occurs. Article five,  
23 part one, section two, is amended, by striking out all  
24 after the word “office” and substituting therefor the  
25 words “for two years from the first Wednesday of  
26 January next following the election.” Section thir-  
27 teen of the same part and article ; section four of part  
28 four of same article ; section seven, article six ; sec-  
29 tion two of article ten, are amended, by substituting  
30 the word “biennial” for the word “annual” wherever  
31 it occurs. Section two, part one of article four, is  
32 amended, by striking out the words “for one year  
33 from the day next preceding the annual meeting of  
34 the legislature,” and substituting therefor the words  
35 “for two years from the day next preceding the bien-  
36 nial meeting of the legislature.”

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
January 31, 1877. }

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

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*