

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Sixty-Fourth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 17.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVES concerning an Amendment of the Constitution of Maine.

Resolved, That the following amendment to the
2 Constitution of this State be proposed for the
3 action of the legal voters of this State in the
4 manner provided by the Constitution, viz:

"AMENDMENTS."

"The election of governor, senators and repre-
6 sentatives shall be on the Tuesday next after the
7 first Monday of November biennially, forever."

Section four of Article two is amended by sub-
9 stituting the words "the Tuesday next after the
10 first Monday of November," for the words 'the
11 second Monday of September,' wherever they occur
12 in said section.

The first election under this article shall be in the
14 year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

Resolved, That the aldermen of cities, the select-
16 men of towns, and the assessors of the several
17 plantations of this State, are hereby empowered
18 and directed to notify the voters of their respective
19 cities, towns, and plantations, in the manner pre-
20 scribed by law, at the meeting to be held in Sep-
21 tember, 1890, to give in their votes upon the
22 amendment proposed in the foregoing resolution;
23 and the question shall be: 'Shall the Constitution
24 be amended as proposed by a resolution of the
25 legislature, providing that the election of governor,
26 senators and representatives shall be on the Tues-
27 day next following the first Monday of November,
28 biennially;' and the inhabitants of said cities,
29 towns, and plantations shall vote by ballot on said
30 question, those in favor of said amendment ex-
31 pressing it by the word 'Yes' on their ballots;
32 and those opposed to the amendment expressing it
33 by the word 'No' upon their ballots; and the bal-
34 lots shall be received, sorted, counted, and declared
35 in open ward, town, and plantation meeting; and
36 lists of the votes so received shall be made and
37 returned to the Secretary of State in the same
38 manner as votes for governor; and the governor

39 and council shall count the same and make returns
40 thereof to the legislature; and if a majority of the
41 votes are in favor of said amendment, the Consti-
42 tution shall be amended accordingly.

Resolved, That the Secretary of State shall pre-
44 pare and furnish to the several cities, towns, and
45 plantations in the State, ballots and blank returns,
46 in conformity to the foregoing resolves, accom-
47 panied with a copy thereof.”

STATE OF MAINE.

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the order of the legislature relating to inquiring into the expediency of submitting to a vote by the people of a resolve amending the constitution of this State by changing the time for holding the State election from the second Monday of September to the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November, biennially, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report the accompanying resolve, entitled "resolves concerning an amendment of the constitution of Maine."

H. M. HEATH,
S. J. WALTON,
J. C. TALBOT.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 18, 1889. }

Tabled, pending acceptance of report, on motion of Mr. TALBOT of East Machias, and ordered printed.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, *Clerk.*