MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the

LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY

at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library

http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied (searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

Sixty-Seventh Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 92.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED

AND NINETY-FIVE

AN ACT to amend section twenty of chapter three hundred and four of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, relating to Registration of Voters.

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

SECTION 1. Section twenty of said chapter is hereby 2 amended by striking out the word "twenty-five" in the fourth 3 and fifth lines, and substituting therefor the word 'twenty, 4 so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 20. Said boards of registration shall be in ses-6 sion from nine in the forenoon to one o'clock in the after-7 noon, and from three to five o'clock in the afternoon, and 8 from seven to nine o'clock in the afternoon, in cities of 9 not less than twenty thousand inhabitants, on each of the 10 twelve secular days next prior to any election; on the first 11 nine of said secular days, to receive evidence touching 12 the qualifications of voters therein, and to revise and cor-13 rect the voting lists, and on the latter three of said secular 14 days, to enable the board to verify the correctness of said 15 lists and to complete and close up its records of said ses-And in all other cities, for the same purpose, and 16 sions. 17 at the same hours on each of the five secular days next 18 prior to any election, the first four thereof to be devoted 19 to registration as above, and the last one of said secular 20 days to enable the board to verify the correctness of said 21 lists and to complete and close up its records of said ses-And on the last of said secular days, at five o'clock 23 in the afternoon, certified copies of said voting lists shall 24 be delivered to the clerks of said cities and receipts taken 25 therefore, except that on the last of said days devoted to 26 registration and on the last of said days devoted to the 27 records as above, the sessions of the board shall close at 28 five o'clock in the afternoon, but no name shall be added to 29 or stricken from said lists after five o'clock in the afternoon 30 of the last of said days devoted to registration as above. 31 Said board shall not place upon said lists during 32 said revision of the same, the name of any person who 33 shall not personally appear before said board and request 34 it, and during said time said board shall revise and correct 35 the voting lists. And the wardens of cities shall be gov-36 erned by said revised and corrected lists; and no names 37 shall be added to or stricken from said lists on the day of 38 election, and no person shall vote at any election whose 39 name is not on said lists. No board of registration shall be 40 answerable for any omission of a name or residence from the

41 voting lists or for any error in the same, unless such name 42 and residence are correctly entered in the general register 43 of voters; but on the day of election said board shall be in 44 session, and shall give to any registered voter whose name 45 has been omitted from the voting list, or in whose name 46 or residence as placed on said voting list a clerical error 47 has been made, a certificate signed by a majority of the 48 board, giving the corrected name and residence of such 49 person, and directed to the officer presiding over the elec-50 tion; such officer shall on receipt of such certificate, allow 51 the person therein named to vote and shall check his name 52 on the certificate, and securely attach the certificate to 53 the voting list. Should this act be in full force and effect 54 at the municipal elections in said cities for the year 1895, 55 then no further notice shall be given by the clerks of said 56 cities than is now required by law.

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

STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, February 8, 1895.

Reported by Mr. NOBLE of Lewiston, from Committee on Judiciary, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, Clerk.