

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 247

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND SEVEN.

AN ACT to amend Section 11 of Chapter 61 of the Revised
Statutes, relating to the solemnization of marriages.

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

Section 1. Section eleven of chapter sixty-one of the
2 Revised Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the
3 word "governor" in the fourth line of said section the fol-
4 lowing words: 'although said ordained ministers of the gos-
5 pel or persons so licensed shall be aliens provided they are
6 residents of the state and in charge of religious work there-
7 in," so that said section as amended shall read:

'Sect. 11. Every justice of the peace residing in the state,
9 every ordained minister of the gospel and every person
10 licensed to preach by an association of ministers, religious

11 seminary or ecclesiastical body duly appointed and commis-
12 sioned for that purpose by the governor, although said
13 ordained ministers of the gospel or persons so licensed shall
14 be aliens, provided they are residents of the state and in
15 charge of religious work therein, may solemnize marriages
16 within the limits of his appointment. The governor, with
17 the advice and consent of the council, may appoint women,
18 otherwise eligible under the constitution, to solemnize mar-
19 riages.'

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

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Augusta, February 21, 1907.

Reported by Mr. SMITH from Committee on Judiciary, and ordered
printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, *Clerk.*