## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 497

## STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE, amending section seven of article six of the Constitution of Maine, relating to the election of judges by direct vote of the people.

Resolved, That section seven of article six of the Constitu-2 tion of Maine be hereby amended by adding thereto the fol-3 lowing:

'1st. Judges of the supreme judicial court and of the sev-5 eral municipal courts, judges and registers of probate, shall 6 be elected by direct vote of the people.

2nd. Judges of the supreme judicial court shall be elected 8 by the people of Maine by a plurality of the votes given in 9 at the same time and in the same manner as is now the custom in the election of the governor of the State of Maine.

3rd. Judges of the several municipal courts shall be elected 12 by plurality of the votes cast at the regular annual election.

4th. Judges and registers of probate shall be elected by the 14 people of their respective counties by a plurality of the votes 15 given in at the annual election on the second Monday of Sep-16 tember and shall hold their office for a term of four years.

5th. Previous occupation, profession or business shall be 18 no bar to the eligibility of a candidate for either of the sev-19 eral offices herein mentioned.'

## STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives,

Augusta, March 6, 1909.

Tabled pending reference to a committee by Mr. BURSE of Pittsfield and ordered printed with 200 extra copies.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.