

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 104

In Senate, February 15, 1911.

Laid on table for printing as amended on motion of Mr. Staples of Knox.

W. C. HANSON, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

JOINT RESOLUTION of the seventy-fifth Legislature of the State of Maine, making application to the Congress of the United States to call a convention for proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States:

WHEREAS, we believe that senators of the United States
2 should be elected directly by voters, and

Whereas, to authorize such direct election an amendment to
4 the Constitution of the United States is necessary, and

Whereas, the failure of Congress to submit such amend-
6 ment to the states has made it clear that the only practicable
7 method of securing submission of such amendment to the
8 states is through a constitutional convention to be called by
9 Congress upon application of legislatures of two-thirds of
10 all the states.

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the legislature of the
12 state of Maine:

Section 1. That the legislature of the state of Maine here-
2 by makes application to the Congress of the United States
3 under Article 5 of the Constitution of the United States, to
4 call a constitutional convention for the purpose of proposing
5 an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, pro-
6 viding for the election of U. S. Senators by popular vote.

Sect. 2. This resolution duly authenticated shall be deliv-
2 ered forthwith to the President of the Senate and Speaker
3 of the House of Representatives of the United States with
4 the request that the same shall be laid before the Senate and
5 the House.