

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 174

House of Representatives, Feb. 8, 1917.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Allan of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN

AN ACT to change the date of annual town meetings.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section twelve of Chapter four of the Revised Statutes of
2 1916 is hereby amended by inserting after the word "held"
3 in the first line of said section the words 'on the first Mon-
4 day,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 12. Annual town meetings shall be held on the
2 first Monday in March, and the voters shall then choose, by
3 a major vote, a clerk, three, five or seven inhabitants of the
4 town to be selectmen and overseers of the poor, when other
5 overseers are not chosen, three or more assessors, two or

6 more fence viewers, treasurer, surveyors of lumber, sealers
7 of leather, measurers of wood and bark, constables, collec-
8 tors of taxes and other usual town officers; and if one-third
9 of the voters present are in favor thereof, they shall choose,
10 by a major vote, one auditor of accounts, all of whom shall
11 be sworn. In towns of over four thousand inhabitants the
12 candidates receiving the greatest number of votes for any of
13 the above mentioned offices shall be deemed elected to such
14 office. Treasurers and collectors of towns shall not be se-
15 lectmen or assessors, until they have completed their duties
16 as treasurers and collectors and had a final settlement with
17 the town. 'The treasurer and collector of taxes of cities and
18 towns, may be one and the same person.'