

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 217

*House of Representatives, Feb. 9, 1917.*

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

*W. R. ROIX, Clerk.*

*Presented by Mr. Brewster of Portland.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to amend Section 24 of Chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes of 1916 relating to the registration of voters.

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

Section 24 of Chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes of 1916  
2 is hereby amended by the addition after the word "ward,"  
3 the last word in the first sentence in said paragraph, of the  
4 words 'and upon such ballot so challenged, witnessed by  
5 two election officers representing two different parties,' so  
6 that said section when amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 24. Any qualified elector in said cities may chal-

2 lenge the right of any person to vote in any ward of said  
3 cities at any election held therein and shall be given the  
4 opportunity by the presiding officer thereof, to make such  
5 challenge, and such presiding officer shall note the fact of  
6 such challenge upon the voting list used in such ward, and  
7 upon such ballot so challenged, witnessed by two election  
8 officers representing two different parties. But before per-  
9 mitting a person so challenged to vote the warden shall  
10 cause him to state his place and date of birth; occupation;  
11 place of business; whether married or single; if married, the  
12 name and residence of his wife; how long a resident of the  
13 city, and where his last vote was cast, which answers shall  
14 be reduced to writing on blanks furnished for that purpose  
15 by the city clerk, and signed by the voter, whose signature  
16 shall be witnessed by two election officers representing two  
17 different parties. The warden shall promptly return all such  
18 records to the city clerk who shall keep them on file for  
19 public inspection for one year. Any failure to comply with  
20 the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor and  
21 be punishable as provided in section twenty-nine of this  
22 chapter.