

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 707

House of Representatives, March 29, 1917.

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W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend section twenty of chapter five of the Revised Statutes of nineteen hundred sixteen relating to the registration of voters.

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

Section twenty of chapter five of the Revised Statutes of
2 nineteen hundred sixteen is hereby amended by striking out
3 the word "they," the first word in the fifth line of section
4 twenty, and inserting in its place the words 'the board or
5 any member thereof'; and by striking out the words "se-
6 lected by the board" in the ninth line of said section, and
7 inserting in place thereof the words 'qualified to serve civil

8 process' so that said section as amended shall read as fol-
9 lows:

'Sect. 20. When the right of any person to have his name
2 placed upon such list is challenged by any qualified elector,
3 or when the right of any person to have his name remain
4 upon such list is so challenged, before said board shall add
5 to or strike from said list the name of any such person, the
6 board or any member thereof, shall issue a notice and sum-
7 mons to said person so challenged and allow him a reason-
8 able opportunity to be heard. Such notice and summons
9 shall be served upon such person by an officer qualified to
10 serve civil process, by giving him in hand or by leaving at
11 his last and usual place of abode, an attested copy of said
12 notice and summons, at least six hours before the closing
13 of the final session of the board devoted to the revision and
14 correction of the voting lists. Said person and said board
15 may also summon and examine other witnesses before said
16 board concerning his right to vote, and if it appears to said
17 board that such person is not or will not be qualified to
18 vote at such election, they shall cause his name to be erased
19 from said list and not add it thereto. And the list of voters
20 in cities made under this chapter shall state the street, and
21 so far as practicable, the number of the street where each
22 voter resides. The residence of a voter as stated upon the
23 list of voters used at the last preceding election shall be
24 deemed his last and usual place of abode, unless he shall
25 have given notice in writing, over his own signature, or in

26 person to the city clerk of a change of his residence, which
27 notice, if given after the first day of April, shall entitle
28 him to have his residence so corrected on the voting list
29 to be used at the next subsequent election, but shall not
30 entitle him to have his registration otherwise changed, nor
31 to vote in ward or precinct other than that in which he
32 resided on said first day of April. Said clerk shall keep a
33 record of all notices of change of residence, which record
34 shall at all times be open to public inspection.'