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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE NO. 63

House of Representatives, Jan. 30, 1919.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 1000 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Stevens of Old Orchard.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section Two of Chapter Five of the Revised Statutes Relating to Qualification of Voters.

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

- Section I. Section two of chapter five of the revised stat-
- 2 utes is hereby amended by striking out in the tenth line of 3 said section the word "three" and inserting in place thereof
- 4 the word 'six,' so that said section as amended shall read as
- 5 follows:
 - 'Sect. 2. Every male citizen who had the right to vote
- 2 on the fourth day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-
- 3 three, together with those who were sixty years of age and
- 4 upwards on said day, and every other male citizen, except-

5 ing paupers, persons under guardianship, and Indians not 6 taxed, who, not being prevented by physical disability from 7 so doing, is able to read the constitution of the state in the 8 English language, in such manner as to show that he is 9 neither prompted nor reciting from memory, and to write 10 his name, and who is twenty-one years of age or upwards, 11 and shall have his residence established in this state for the 12 term of six months next preceding any national, state, city 13 or town election, shall have the right to vote at every such 14 election in the city, town or plantation where his residence 15 is so established; provided, however, that his name has 16 been properly entered upon the voting list of such city, 17 town or plantation.'

Sect. 2. This act shall take effect only upon the adoption 2 in September, nineteen hundred and nineteen, of the pro-3 posed amendment providing that an elector for governor, 4 senators and representatives shall be a resident of the state. 5 for a term of six months next preceding any election, and 6 in case of such adoption, shall take effect on the day said 7 constitutional amendment becomes effective.