

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 18

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House of Representatives, Jan. 30, 1923.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Morse of Bath.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE  
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THREE

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RESOLVE, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maine Providing for the Election on the Tuesday Next After the First Monday in November Biennially of Governors, Senators, Representatives and Other Officers Now Required to be Elected on the Second Monday of September Biennially.

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Resolved: That the following amendment to the constitution of the state be proposed for the action of the legal voters of the state in the manner provided by the constitution, to wit:

ARTICLE II. Section four is hereby amended as follows, namely, by striking out the words "second Monday

3 of September," in the second, and tenth and eleventh lines  
4 of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words  
5 'Tuesday next after the first Monday in November.'

ARTICLE VI. Section seven is hereby amended by strik-  
2 ing out the words "second Monday of September" in the  
3 third line thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the words  
4 'on Tuesday next after the first Monday in November.'

ARTICLE IX. Section ten is hereby amended by strik-  
2 ing out the words "second Monday of September," in the  
3 second and third lines, and inserting in lieu thereof the  
4 words 'Tuesday next after the first Monday in November,'  
5 and section twelve of said article is hereby amended by  
6 striking out the words "second Monday in September," in  
7 the ninth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'Tues-  
8 day next after the first Monday in November.'

Resolved, That all the foregoing is proposed to be voted  
2 on as one amendment and not as two or more several  
3 amendments.

Resolved, That the aldermen of cities, the selectmen of  
2 towns and the assessors of plantations in this state are here-  
3 by empowered and directed to notify the inhabitants of  
4 their respective cities, towns and plantations in the manner  
5 prescribed by law at the meeting in September on the year  
6 one thousand nine hundred and ten to vote upon the amend-  
7 ment proposed in the foregoing resolutions, and the ques-  
8 tions shall be, "Shall the constitution be amended as pro-  
9 posed by a resolution of the legislature providing for the

10 holding of the election on the Tuesday next after the first  
11 Monday in November biennially of governors, senators and  
12 representatives and other officers now required to be elected  
13 on the second Monday in September biennially?" and the  
14 inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations shall vote  
15 by ballot on said questions, those favoring the amendment  
16 voting "Yes" and those opposing it voting "No" upon their  
17 ballots; and the ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and  
18 declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and  
19 lists of the votes so received shall be made and returned  
20 to the office of the secretary of state in the same manner  
21 as votes for governor and members of the legislature, and  
22 the governor and council shall count the same and make  
23 return to the next legislature and if it shall appear that a  
24 majority of the votes are in favor of the amendment, the  
25 constitution shall be amended accordingly.

Resolved, That the secretary of state shall prepare and  
2 furnish to the several cities, towns and plantations, ballots  
3 and blanks for returns in conformity to the foregoing re-  
4 solves accompanied by a copy thereof.