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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 12

In Senate, Jan. 25, 1923.

Taken from the table on motion by Mr. Brewster of Cumberland and on further motion by same Senator referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and one thousand copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

L. ERNEST THORNTON, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Brewster of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

RESOLVE, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution authorizing the Regulation of Advertising Signs in Public View.

Resolved: Two-thirds of the legislature concurring, that 2 the following amendment to the constitution of this state 3 be proposed for the action of the legal voters, to wit, by 4 adding thereto the following article:

'Advertising on public ways, in public places, and on 2 private property within public view may be regulated, re3 stricted, or prohibited by law, and special taxes may be 4 imposed thereon.'

FORM OF QUESTION AND DATE WHEN AMEND-MENT IS TO BE VOTED ON.

Resolved: That the aldermen of cities, the selectmen of 2 towns, and the assessors of the several plantations in this 3 state are hereby empowered and directed to notify the in-4 habitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to 5 meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and hold-6 ing biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of 7 senators and representatives, on the second Monday in 8 September following the passage of this resolve, to give in 9 their votes upon the amendment proposed in the foregoing 10 resolution, and the question shall be: "Shall the Constitution 11 be amended as proposed by a Resolution of the Legislature 12 authorizing the Regulation of Advertising Signs in Public 13 View?"

And the inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations 2 shall vote by ballot on said question, those in favor of the 3 amendment expressing it by the word "Yes" upon their 4 ballots and those opposed to the amendment by the word 5 "No" upon their ballots, and the ballots shall be received, 6 sorted, counted, and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings, and returns made to the office of the secre-8 tary of state in the same manner as votes for governor and 9 members of the legislature, and the governor and council 10 shall count the same, and if it shall appear that a majority

11 of the inhabitants voting on the question are in favor of the 12 amendment, it shall thereupon become a part of the con-13 stitution, and the governor shall forthwith make known the 14 fact by his proclamation.

BALLOTS TO BE PREPARED BY SECRETARY OF STATE.

Resolved: That the secretary of state shall prepare and 2 furnish to the several cities, towns and plantations ballots 3 and blank returns in conformity with the foregoing resolves 4 accompanied by a copy thereof.