

EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 214

In Senate, March 7, 1923.

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

L. ERNEST THORNTON, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Emery of Washington.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section Twelve of Chapter Four of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Election of Officers.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section twelve of chapter four of the revised statutes is
2 hereby amended by striking out the word "four" in the
3 ninth line and inserting in place thereof the word 'five,' so
4 that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 12. Annual town meetings shall be held in March, 2 and the voters shall then choose, by a major vote, a clerk, 3 three, five or seven inhabitants of the town to be selectmen 4 and overseers of the poor, when other overseers are not 5 chosen, three or more assessors, two or more fence viewers,

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6 treasurer, surveyors of lumber, sealers of leather, measurers 7 of wood and bark, constables, collectors of taxes and other 8 usual town officers; and if one-third of the voters present 9 are in favor thereof, they shall choose, by a major vote, 10 one auditor of accounts, all of whom shall be sworn. In 11 towns of over five thousand inhabitants the candidates 12 receiving the greatest number of votes for any of the above 13 mentioned offices shall be deemed elected to such office. 14 Treasurers and collectors of towns shall not be selectmen 15 or assessors, until they have completed their duties as 16 treasurers and collectors and had a final settlement with 17 the town. The treasurer and collector of taxes of cities 18 and towns, may be one and the same person.'

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