

EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

House Document

No. 68

H. P. 281 House of Representatives, Feb. 3, 1927.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hale of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

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 be 3 proposed for the action of the legal voters, to wit, by adding 4 thereto the following article:

'Advertising on public ways, in public places, and on 2 private property within public view may be regulated, re-3 stricted, or prohibited by law, and special taxes may be 4 imposed thereon.'

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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 5 to meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and 6 holding biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election 7 of 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 Constitu-11 tion be amended as proposed by a Resolution of the Legis-12 lature authorizing the Regulation of Advertising Signs in 13 Public 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 plan-7 tation 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 con13 stitution, and the governor shall forwith make known the 14 fact by his proclamation.

BALLOTS TO BE PREPARED BY THE 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.