

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY - FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 6

S. P. 32

In Senate, Jan. 14, 1931.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Bissett of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section Nineteen of Chapter Eighty.
Revised Statutes of Maine for Nineteen Hundred Thirty.

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

Section nineteen of chapter eighty, revised statutes of Maine for nineteen hundred thirty is hereby amended by striking out the whole thereof and inserting in place thereof the following to be known as section nineteen:

Any voter who shall declare to the presiding election officer or officers that he cannot mark his ballot by reason of physical disability or from inability to read the same, or who shall declare to the election officers that his religious faith prevents him from marking his ballot shall receive the assistance, in the marking of his ballot, of any qualified voter whom he may designate or of two of the election clerks, as the voter may prefer; such clerks shall not both represent one and the same political party, and they or the qualified voter assisting the voter shall certify on the outside of such ballot that the same was marked by them, or by the voter with their assistance, and thereafter shall give no information concerning the same. The presiding election officer or officers may require every voter who applies for such assistance to make oath to his inability to mark his ballot, before such qualified voter shall be permitted or clerks shall be directed to assist as aforesaid and such officer

or officers are hereby qualified to administer such oath, and no election clerk shall assist or offer to assist any voter in marking his ballot until directed so to do by the presiding election officer or officers.'