

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 464

S. P. 390

In Senate, Feb. 11, 1931.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Slocum of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to the Publication of Impartial State-
ments Regarding Any Measure Submitted to the People.

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

Previous to any election at which any proposed law, part of an act or amendment to the constitution is to be submitted statewide to the people, the attorney general shall file with the secretary of state an impartial statement of the arguments in favor of the adoption and of the arguments in opposition to the adoption thereof; neither statement shall exceed one thousand words and each shall be in such language that neither shall be likely to create prejudice either for or against the measure. Said statement shall be published by the secretary of state in each newspaper printed in the state. He shall cause to be printed a sufficient number of copies for posting as hereafter provided. Such copies shall be sent by him to the several city, town and plantation clerks or municipal officers, who shall cause one or more copies to be posted conspicuously in the same place where are posted the warrants for state elections, all of which shall be performed at least thirty days prior to the day when such election is to take place.