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H. P. 1180

House of Representatives, February 7, 1939.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Wallace of Sanford.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Nomination of Candidates for Town Meeting Members in Sanford.

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

Sec. 1. Nomination. Nomination papers for the election in the town of Sanford of all candidates for municipal officers, members of committees, members of boards, trustees and commissioners (but not including town meeting members), required by the laws of the state or by vote of the inhabitants of said town to be placed on the ballots to be used at the annual town meetings shall bear the name of the 2 political parties which cast the highest and next highest number of ballots at the preceding gubernatorial election. The designation of each candidate shall coincide with his enrolment in the same political party as shown upon the records of said town. The nomination papers shall be signed by not less than 10 registered voters and shall be filed with the town clerk at least 10 days before the annual town meeting.

Sec. 2. Election. The ballot for use at the annual town meeting shall contain the names of all candidates whose nominations for any office specified in the ballot have been duly made in accordance herewith and the office for which they have been severally nominated. The names of candidates nominated by any party shall be grouped together upon the ballot.

Above each group shall be placed the name of the political party by which the candidates comprising such group were placed in nomination or the political designation as described in the certificate of nomination, or nomination papers under a square; below the name of each candidate for any office in any group there shall be left a blank space in which the voter may write the name of any person for whom he desires to vote as a candidate for such office; at the right of each name and at the right of the blank space above provided for there shall be left a blank square in which the voter may make a cross mark (X). If only one person be nominated by any party, or under any political designation, his name with the office for which he is a candidate shall be printed by itself under the name of such party or political designation.

Sec. 3. Referendum. This act shall be submitted for approval or rejection to the qualified voters of Sanford at a special meeting thereof to be called by the selectmen on a day not later than November 1, 1939. The vote shall be taken by ballot in answer to the question "Shall an act passed by the legislature in the year 1939, entitled: 'An Act Relating to Nomination of Candidates for Town Meeting Members in Sanford', be accepted?" which shall be printed on the official ballot, and at said meeting the voters of said town in favoring the acceptance of this act shall vote "Yes" and those opposed "No". If a majority of the ballots shall favor accepting the same, this act shall become effective for the election of such municipal officers, members of committees, members of boards, trustees and commissioners at all subsequent annual meetings.