

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, January 16, 1941.

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Preble of Millinocket.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-ONE

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**AN ACT Permitting Towns to Use Absentee Ballots.**

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**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, no provision heretofore has been made for voting by absentee and physically incapacitated voters at municipal elections in towns, and

Whereas, the annual meetings of many towns will be held in the month of March 1941, and

Whereas, many legal voters will be unable to vote at such annual meetings, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety ; now, therefore,

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

**R. S., c. 9, amended.** Wherever in chapter 9 of the revised statutes, as amended, the word "city" appears without the words "or town" following thereafter, the words "or town" are added.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.