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**Legislative Document**

**No. 223**

S. P. 154.

In Senate, January 29, 1941.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Fellows of Kennebec.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-ONE

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### AN ACT Relating to Suffrage to Qualified Voters in Unorganized Territory.

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

**P. L., 1937, c. 209, §1, amended.** The 3rd paragraph of section 1 of chapter 209 of the public laws of 1937, is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Poll taxes shall be assessed annually, on, or as of April 1, on all residents of said unorganized territory who are required by law to pay a poll tax, and said poll tax shall be paid to the state tax assessor or to his duly authorized agent; and the state tax assessor or the agent to whom such payment is made shall give a receipt in proper form therefor. Poll taxes paid to any such agent shall be remitted by such agent to the state tax assessor. The state tax assessor shall have authority to abate such tax in any case where conditions warrant such action, and in such case the person whose tax is abated shall not forfeit any right or privilege to which payment of said tax would entitle him. Persons having legal residence in the unorganized territory may upon presentation of satisfactory evidence of such legal residence and of the legal qualifications of a voter to the proper officials of an adjacent town, vote in all county, state and national elections, if such

town is in the same county; if not so situated, then only in state and national elections. ~~The poll taxes paid by electors in unorganized territory who register in a town as voters shall be paid by the state tax assessor to such towns upon proper notice to him by the officials of such towns of such registration and such payment shall be considered as an assessment on said electors by said town officials.~~ The poll taxes assessed and collected by the state tax assessor from electors in the unorganized territory who register in a town as voters shall be paid by the state tax assessor to such a town for any year such electors actually vote in said town upon receiving notice from the officials thereof of such registration and act of voting, and said payment shall be considered as an assessment on said electors by said town officials. The balance of the poll taxes collected, if any, shall be paid by the state tax assessor to the treasurer of state who shall credit them to the state school fund for the current year.'