

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# **PUBLIC ACTS**

OF THE

## **STATE OF MAINE,**

PASSED BY THE

**ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE,**

AT ITS SESSION, HELD IN JANUARY, 1831.

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PUBLISHED AGREEABLY TO THE RESOLVE OF 28TH JUNE, 1820.  
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**Portland.**

TODD AND HOLDEN.....PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1831.

tent with the provisions of this act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

[*Approved by the Governor, February 16, 1831.*]

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CHAPTER CCCCLXC.

AN ACT making valid the Acts and Resolves, passed by the Legislature of the year eighteen hundred and thirty, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS great and serious doubts have arisen whether the Acts and Resolves, passed by the last preceding Legislature of this State, are obligatory or have any binding effect whatsoever in consequence of the irregular, imperfect and unconstitutional manner in which the said Legislature was constituted and organized, sundry doings thereto appertaining having been decided and determined by the Judges of the Supreme Judicial Court to be unconstitutional and void: And, Whereas for the same reasons, great and serious doubts have also arisen, whether the Official Acts and doings of the Executive department of the Government of this State, for the last preceding political year, are efficacious to any legal or constitutional purposes whatsoever:—Therefore, in order, as far as practicable, to remedy and prevent the great and manifold evils, which might arise to the citizens of this State by reason of the unconstitutionality of the Acts and doings aforesaid:

Preamble.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That all and every the Acts, passed and enacted by the Legislature of Maine, at a session commencing the sixth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty and ending the nineteenth day of March in the same year, which Acts were approved by Jona-

Acts of 1830  
made valid.

than G. Hunton as Governor, be and the same are hereby declared, established and made valid to all intents and purposes, and they shall severally have all the force and effect of law, any defects in their original enactment to the contrary notwithstanding.

Resolves  
made valid.

**SECT. 2.** *Be it further enacted,* That all and every the Resolves, passed by the said Legislature, during the session aforesaid, and approved by Jonathan G. Hunton as Governor, be and the same are hereby established and made valid, any defects in the original passing of said resolves to the contrary notwithstanding.

Rights acquir-  
ed under said  
Acts and Re-  
solves con-  
firmed.

**SECT. 3.** *Be it further enacted,* That all rights, privileges, interests and estates, which have been acquired, gained and become vested, or purporting to be gained and acquired by, under, or in virtue of any of the acts, mentioned in the first section of this act; or by, under, or in virtue of any of the resolves, mentioned in the second section, be and the same are hereby confirmed, established and made good and valid to all intents and purposes.

Rights of  
property de-  
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the acts of the  
Executive of  
1830, and acts  
of those deriv-  
ing authority  
from that Ex-  
ecutive, estab-  
lished.

**SECT. 4.** *Be it further enacted,* That none of the rights of property, personal or real, gained and acquired, or purporting to be gained and acquired, in virtue of any act of the Executive department of the government, during the last preceding political year; or in virtue of the official doings of any officer deriving his authority from those, who exercised the power pertaining to the Executive department of the government during the same period, shall in any way be set aside, or made void, on account or by reason of the unconstitutionality of the doings and proceedings mentioned in the preamble to this act.

Marriages  
confirmed.

**SECT. 5.** *Be it further enacted,* That no marriage solemnized by any person deriving his authority to solemnize marriages, from said Executive, shall be set aside or made void by reason

of any defects in the doings and proceedings aforesaid.

[*Approved by the Governor, February 17, 1831.*]

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CHAPTER CCCCXCI.

AN ACT altering the time of holding the Court of Common Pleas in Somerset.

*BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That a term of the Court of Common Pleas, shall be holden at Norridgewock in and for the County of Somerset, on the third Tuesday of March next, instead of the second Tuesday of March, as is now provided by law; and all matters and things made returnable to said Court on the second Tuesday of March next, shall be returned to, and have day in, the said Court to be holden on the third Tuesday of said March as provided by this Act.*

Time of holding C. C. P. in Somerset changed.

[*Approved by the Governor, February 19, 1831.*]

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CHAPTER CCCCXCII.

AN ACT to modify the terms and conditions of the Act for Separation.

**SECT. 1.** *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That the terms and conditions, mentioned in the Act of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, passed on the nineteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, entitled "An Act relating to the separation of the District of Maine from Massachusetts proper, and forming the same into a sep-*