

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PUBLIC ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE,

JANUARY SESSION, 1839.

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1839.

Chapter 401.

AN ACT additional to an act regulating towns, town meetings and the choice of town officers approved March nineteenth one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, That in any town in this State where there shall not be ten freeholders, inhabitants of said town, when a majority of the freeholders of such town shall signify in writing their desire to have any matter or thing inserted in a warrant for calling a meeting, the Selectmen are hereby required to insert the same in the next warrant they shall issue for a meeting, or call a meeting for the express purpose of considering thereof—And in case the Selectmen, of any town containing less than ten freeholders shall unreasonably deny to call a meeting upon any public occasion, a majority of the freeholders of such town may apply to a Justice of the Peace within and for the same County, who is hereby authorized and empowered to issue his warrant under his hand and seal directed to the Constable or Constables, of the town, if any such there be, otherwise to any of the freeholders applying therefor, directing him or them to notify and warn the inhabitants qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at such time and place in the same town, as the said Justice in his said warrant shall direct, and for the purpose in the same warrant expressed; and the meeting so assembled shall be to all intents and purposes a legal meeting.

Duty of selectmen in calling meetings in towns consisting of less than ten freeholders, upon application of a majority, &c.

In case of unreasonable denial to call meeting, majority may apply to a Justice of the Peace for warrant therefor.

[Approved by the Governor, March 22, 1839.]