

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# RESOLVES

OF THE

## NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED AT ITS SESSION

WHICH COMMENCED ON THE SECOND DAY OF JANUARY, AND ENDED ON  
THE TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF MARCH, ONE THOUSAND  
EIGHT HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINE.

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PUBLISHED AGREEABLY TO THE RESOLVE OF JUNE 23, 1820.

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AUGUSTA:  
SMITH & ROBINSON, PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1839.

**Chapter 69.**

Resolve proposing an amendment of the Constitution of the State.

*Approved March 14, 1839.*

**RESOLVED**, Two thirds of both Houses of the Legislature concurring, that the Constitution of the State be amended by striking out the fourth section of the sixth article thereof, and substituting in the room thereof, the words following, viz: "Section 4. All Judicial officers, now in office, or who may be hereafter appointed, shall from and after the first day of March, in the year eighteen hundred and forty, hold their offices for the term of seven years from the time of their respective appointments (unless sooner removed by impeachment or by address of both branches of the Legislature to the Executive) and no longer, unless re-appointed thereto."

**RESOLVED**, That the Selectmen of the several towns, Assessors of the several plantations, and Aldermen of the cities, are hereby empowered and directed to notify the inhabitants of said towns, plantations and cities, in the manner prescribed by law, at their next annual meeting in September, to give in their votes upon the following question, viz: "Shall the Constitution of the State be so amended as to strike out the fourth section of the sixth article, and substitute in room thereof the words following? viz: SEC. 4. All Judicial officers, now in office, or who may be hereafter appointed, shall from and after the first day of March, in the year eighteen hundred and forty, hold their offices for the term of seven years from the time of their respective appointments (unless sooner removed by impeachment or by address of both branches of the Legislature to the Executive) and no longer, unless re-appointed thereto."

**RESOLVED**, That the inhabitants of said towns, plantations and cities, shall vote by ballot upon said question; those in favor of said amendment expressing it by the word *Yes*, upon their ballots, and those opposed to the amendment expressing it by the word *No*, upon their ballots.

**RESOLVED**, That the Selectmen Assessors and Aldermen shall preside at said meetings, receive, count and declare the votes in open meeting; and the Clerks of said towns, plantations and cities shall make a record of said proceedings, and of the number of votes, in the presence

of the Selectmen, Assessors and Aldermen aforesaid, and transmit a true and attested copy of said record, sealed up, to the Secretary of State, and cause the same to be delivered to said Secretary on or before the first Wednesday of January next.

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State shall cause this Resolve to be published in all the newspapers printed in the State, for three months at least before the second Monday of September next, and also cause copies thereof, with a suitable form of a Return to be sent forthwith to the Selectmen of all the towns, and to the Assessors of all the plantations, and to the Aldermen of all the cities in the State. And said Secretary shall, as early as may be, in the next session of the Legislature, lay all such returns before said Legislature, with an abstract thereof, showing the number and state of the votes.

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### Chapter 70.

Resolve providing for the survey of Lands on the Aroostook Road and River, for settlement.

*Approved March 16, 1839.*

RESOLVED, That the Surveyor General under the direction of the Land Agent, shall survey and cause to be surveyed into suitable lots for actual settlement at as early a period as may be practicable the following townships, of the lands of this State on the Aroostook Road and River viz: half township letter H. in the second range, township letter F. in the second range, township numbered eight in the fifth range and townships numbered nine and eleven in the sixth range.

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### Chapter 71.

Resolve for opening a Road from Houlton to the Aroostook River.

*Approved March 19, 1839.*

RESOLVED, That the sum of ten thousand dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated for the making of a Road from the south line of township letter A. in the first