

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

**S T A T E O F M A I N E ,**

**A. D. 1844.**

---

Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to Resolves of June 28, 1820, February 26, 1840, and March 16, 1842.

---

*AUGUSTA:*

W<sup>M</sup> R. SMITH & Co., PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1844.

---

RESOLVES

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

1844.

---

**CHAP. 280.** towns and plantations, above mentioned, prior to the day set apart in such proclamations, and as soon as practicable.

Duty of clerks of towns and plantations.

*Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of such clerks to take from the post office, at the expense of their several cities, towns and plantations, all such packages, and distribute their contents among the clergymen within their precincts, and, in case no clergymen shall be residents of such town or plantation, then it shall be the duty of the clerk to post them in some public and conspicuous situation.

[*Approved March 16, 1844.*]

### Chapter 280.

Resolves in relation to the choice of electors of president and vice president.

Relative to the choice of electors of president and vice president.

*Resolved*, That our senators in congress be instructed, and our representatives requested, to use their influence to promote the passage of a law, this present session of congress, prescribing the day for the choice of electors of president and vice president, which day shall be the same throughout the United States.

*Resolved*, That a copy of the foregoing resolution, signed by the governor, be forwarded by the secretary of state to each of our senators and representatives in congress.

[*Approved March 19, 1844.*]

### Chapter 281.

Resolves providing for an amendment to the constitution in relation to the meeting of the legislature.

Relative to amending the constitution, so as to change the sessions of the legislature from January to May.

*Resolved*, two thirds of both branches of the legislature concurring, That the constitution of this state shall be amended in the fifth section of the first part of the fourth article, by striking out the words, "the first Wednesday in January", and inserting instead thereof, the words, the second Wednesday of May; and in article fourth, part second, sections third, fourth and fifth; article fourth, part third, section first; article fifth, part first, sections second and third; article fifth, part second, section second; and article ninth, section fourth, by striking out in each of said sections, the words, "the first Wednesday of January," and inserting instead thereof, the words, the second Wednesday of May; and the provisions of the constitution shall be so amended that the period of the service