

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1845.

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

WM. T. JOHNSON, PRINTER TO THE STATE.

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CHAP. 366.

The committee on the judiciary to which was referred the report of the executive council, of November 27th, 1844, in relation to the votes given in, by the people of this state, on the second Monday of September last, upon the question submitted to them by virtue of the "resolves providing for an amendment to the constitution in relation to the meeting of the legislature," passed March 19, 1844, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to

REPORT :

That it appears by the said report of council, that the whole number of ballots, legally and constitutionally returned, as having been given in on the question submitted in said resolves, viz : "shall the constitution be amended as proposed by a resolve of the legislature, providing that the annual meeting of the legislature shall be on the second Wednesday of May, instead of the first Wednesday of January, and that the governor and other state officers, elected for the political year commencing on the first Wednesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, shall hold their offices till the second Wednesday of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-six;" was forty-two thousand and forty-four; that the number of said ballots having the word, yes, written thereon, was thirty-two thousand and twenty-nine; and the number thereof, having the word, no, written thereon, was ten thousand and fifteen. It thereby appearing that a majority of all the votes given in and legally and constitutionally returned, were in favor of the proposed amendment, and the said proposed amendment having thereby become a part of the constitution of the state, your committee ask leave to submit the accompanying resolve.

WM. FRYE, *Chairman.*

Chapter 366.

Resolve declaratory of an amendment to the constitution.

Resolved, The senate and house of representatives concurring, that whereas it appears, upon the examination of the report of the executive council, in relation to the resolves passed March nineteenth, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, entitled "resolves providing for an amendment to the constitution in relation to the meeting of the legislature," that a majority of the people voting on the question thereby submitted, is in favor of adopting said amendment :

Amendatory to the constitution.

It is therefore declared, that the fifth section, article fourth, part first; the third, fourth and fifth sections, article fourth, part second; the first section, article fourth, part third; the second and third sections, article fifth, part first; the second section, article fifth, part second; and the fourth section, article ninth, of the constitution,

Sections and articles amended.

CHAP. 367.

Change of ses-
sion of the legis-
lature.

Tenure of office,
of state officers
elected, contin-
ued.

are so far altered or amended, as that the words "the second Wednesday of May" are substituted for the words "the first Wednesday of January" in each of said sections; and the provisions of the constitution are so far altered or amended as that the governor and other state officers elected for the political year commencing on the first Wednesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, shall hold their offices till the second Wednesday of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-six; and that said amendment has become part of the constitution of this state.

[Approved March 26, 1845.]

Chapter 367.

Resolve in favor of Charles F. Spear.

In favor of Chas.
F. Spear.

Resolved, That there be paid out of the treasury of the state, to Charles F. Spear, of Wayne, five dollars per month for three years from the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty five, in consideration of a severe injury received while in military service of the state, in the Aroostook expedition, in the spring of eighteen hundred and thirty-nine.

[Approved March 26, 1845.]

Chapter 368.

Resolve authorizing the treasurer to receive from the government of the United States certain moneys which may be now credited to this state, or that may hereafter become due.

Authorizing the
reception of the
proceeds of the
public lands
from the U. S.

Resolved, That the treasurer of this state be, and hereby is, authorized to receive from the government of the United States, any and all sums of money which have been accredited to this state, under an act of the United States, entitled "an act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands and to grant pre-emption rights," passed September fourth, eighteen hundred and forty-one.

--on deposit.

Resolved, That any sums of money, that may be received under the foregoing resolve, shall be received on deposit by the state, and the faith of the state is hereby pledged for the safe keeping of the same, and the repayment thereof, whenever the money divided under the act aforesaid, shall be required by the federal government.

To be funded.

Resolved, That the treasurer of this state is hereby directed to fund the money, received under the foregoing resolves, upon the