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of said approval shall have been filed with the state sealer of weights and measures in Augusta, which certificate shall state the name and manufacturer of said scale or other measuring device, the place where manufactured and that the same has been approved by said bureau of standards. This act shall not apply to liquid or standard dry measures.

- Sec. 2. Penalty for violation. Whoever violates section one of this act shall upon conviction be punished by a fine of not less than twenty dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each offense. Municipal and police courts and trial justices shall have original jurisdiction concurrent with the supreme judicial court and superior court of prosecutions for all violations of this act.
- Sec. 3. Date when effective. This act shall take effect July one, nineteen hundred and twenty.

Approved April 3, 1919.

Chapter 160.

An Act to Amend Sections Six, Ten and Thirty-three of Chapter Six of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Primary Elections and the Filing of Nomination Papers by Independent Candidates.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

- 'Sec. 1. R. S., c. 6, § 6; relating to the filing of primary nomination papers, amended. Section six of chapter six of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "first Monday of May" in the fourth line of the said section and by inserting in place thereof the words 'third Monday in April', so that the section, as amended, shall read as follows:
- 'Sec. 6. Papers to be filed on or before third Monday in April. No such nomination papers shall be signed before the first day of January of the year in which such primary election is to be held and all such nomination papers shall be filed with the secretary of state on or before the third Monday in April of said year. With such nomination papers there shall also be filed the consent in writing of the persons so proposed thereby as candidates, agreeing to accept the nomination if nominated at the primary election, not to withdraw, and, if elected at the state election, to qualify as such officer. Such nomination papers so filed, and being in apparent conformity with the provisions hereof, shall be deemed to be valid; and, if not in apparent conformity, they may be seasonably amended under oath. In case any person who has been duly proposed as a candidate under the provisions hereof shall die before the day of the primary election, or shall withdraw in writing, so that the nominations shall be less than the number of the candidates required to be voted for by law, the vacancy may be supplied in the manner herein provided for such orig-

inal nomination; or, if the time is insufficient therefor, then the vacancy may be supplied by the appropriate committee of the state, district, county, city, town, plantation or representative class by which such candidate is to be elected. Certificates for supplying the vacancy and the manner of placing the name of the nominee upon the ballots shall conform to the provisions of section thirty-five. All nomination papers when filed shall forthwith be opened and kept open under proper regulations to public inspection and the secretary of state shall preserve the same in his office not less than one year.'

- Sec. 2. R. S., c. 6, § 33; relating to filing of nomination papers by independent candidates, amended. Section thirty-three of chapter six of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "August" in the fourth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word 'July'; also by striking out the word "October" in the sixth line thereof and inserting the word 'September; also by striking out the word "seven" in the ninth line and inserting the word 'fourteen; also by striking out the word "seven" in the thirteenth line and inserting the word 'fourteen, so that the section, as amended, shall read as follows:
- 'Sec. 33. Nomination papers in state election to be filed on or before July 10th; for presidential election on or before September 10th; for municipal and special elections fourteen days before election. Certificates of nomination under section thirty, and nomination papers for the nomination of candidates for state and county officers and representatives to the legislature, shall be filed with the secretary of state on or before the tenth day of July of each year in which such election is held, and for candidates for electors of president and vice-president on or before the tenth day of September in each year when such election is held. Such certificates and papers for the nomination of candidates for the office of mayor and all other offices in cities shall be filed with the city clerks of the respective cities at least fourteen days, exclusive of Sundays, previous to the day of such election. Such certificates and papers for the nomination of candidates to be voted for at any special election to be held for choice of United States senators, representatives to congress or members of the legislature shall be filed with the secretary of state at least fourteen days, exclusive of Sundays, previous to the day of election. With nomination papers and certificates shall also be filed the consent in writing of the person nominated.'

Approved April 3, 1919.