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Chapter 153.

Resolve, Making an Appropriation in Aid of Navigation on Sebago Lake, Songo River, Bay of Naples, Chutes River and Long Lake in Cumberland County.

Sebago lake, Songo river, etc., navigation on. Resolved: That there be paid the sum of two hundred dollars for the year nineteen hundred and nineteen, and two hundred dollars for the year nineteen hundred and twenty, in aid of navigation on said lakes and rivers.

Approved April 4, 1919.

Chapter 154.

Resolve, Repealing Chapter One Hundred and Nine of the Resolves of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to Lists of Automobile Registrations.

Automobile lists, repealing resolve authorizing furnishing of to some publisher by secretary of state. Resolved: That chapter one hundred and nine of the resolves of nineteen hundred and seventeen, relating to lists of automobile registrations, is hereby repealed.

Approved April 4, 1919.

Chapter 155.

Resolve, Amending Article IX of the Constitution, as Amended by Article XXXV of the Constitution, Increasing the State Debt Limit.

Constitutional amendment proposed. Resolved: Two-thirds of the legislature concurring the following amendment to the constitution of the state be proposed:

Article IX, § 14, constitution amended. Section fourteen of article nine of the constitution, as amended by article thirty-five of the constitution, is hereby further amended by striking out after the word "exceed" in the fifth line thereof the words "three hundred thousand dollars" and inserting in place thereof the words 'eight hundred thousand dollars', so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'**Sec. 14. Debt limit increased from \$300,000 to \$800,000.** The credit of the state shall not be directly or indirectly loaned in any case. The legislature shall not create any debt or debts, liability or liabilities, on behalf of the state, which shall singly, or in the aggregate, with previous debts and liabilities hereafter incurred at any one time, exceed eight hundred thousand dollars, except for the purposes of building and maintaining of state highways, to suppress insurrection, to repel invasion, or for purposes of war; but this amendment shall not be construed to refer to any money that has been, or may be deposited with this state by the government of the United States, or to any fund which the state shall hold in trust for any Indian tribe.'

CHAP. 156

Date of special election and form of question. Resolved: That the aldermen of cities, the selectmen of towns and the assessors of the several plantations in this state are hereby empowered and directed to notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet in the manner prescribed by law for calling and holding biennial meetings of said inhabitants for the election of senators and representatives on the second Monday in September following the passage of this resolve, to give in their votes upon the amendment proposed in the foregoing resolution and the question shall be:

“Shall the constitution be amended as proposed by resolution of the legislature providing for an increase in the state debt limit?”

And the inhabitants of said cities, towns and plantations shall vote by ballot on said question, those in favor of the amendment voting “Yes” upon their ballots and those opposed to the amendment voting “No” upon their ballots and the ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and return made to the office of the secretary of state in the same manner as votes for governor and members of the legislature and the governor and council shall count the same and if it shall appear that a majority of the inhabitants voting on the question are in favor of the amendment, the governor shall forthwith make known the fact by his proclamation and the amendment shall thereupon as of the date of said proclamation become a part of the constitution.

Secretary of state to furnish municipalities with copy of resolve. Resolved: That the secretary of state shall prepare and furnish to the several cities, towns and plantations ballots and blank returns in conformity with the foregoing resolve accompanied by a copy thereof.

Approved April 4, 1919.

Chapter 156.

Resolve, for Indexing the Documents Filed by the Legislatures of Maine Since Eighteen Hundred and Twenty, Now in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate.

Percy F. Crane, secretary of senate, for filing and indexing old legislative documents. Resolved: That there be appropriated the sum of one thousand dollars from the legislative contingent fund to be paid to Percy F. Crane, secretary of the senate, for properly filing and indexing the papers and documents in the office of the secretary of the senate which have been filed by the various sessions of the legislature since eighteen hundred and twenty and are not now properly filed and indexed; said filing and indexing to be completed between July 1st, nineteen hundred and nineteen and December 31st, nineteen hundred and nineteen. There