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### **ACTS AND RESOLVES**

AS PASSED BY THE

## Ninety-eighth Legislature

OF THE

### STATEOFMAINE

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# Selected Proclamations

by

Governor Edmund S. Muskie

#### STATE OF MAINE

#### PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Authorization of the Amendment to the Constitution to Exempt Rental Agreements with the Maine School Building Authority from the Limitations of Municipal Indebtedness

WHEREAS, the Ninety-seventh Legislature of the State of Maine by a Resolve passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved May 20, 1955 proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

"Section 15 of Article IX of the Constitution is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new sentence, to read as follows:

'Long term rental agreements not exceeding forty years under contracts with the Maine School Building Authority shall not be debts or liabilities within the provisions of this section.'" and

WHEREAS, it appears by the return of votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations, voting upon said amendment, as directed in the aforementioned Resolve, upon the twelfth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifty-five, and canvassed by the Governor and Council on September twenty-one, nineteen hundred and fifty-five, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment, namely 19,378 for, and 9,327 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edmund S. Muskie, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the Constitution of the State of Maine amended as proposed, and in accordance with the provisions of this said Resolve, the amendment shall hereupon as of the date of this proclamation become a part of the Constitution.

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-sixth day of September, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Eightieth.

EDMUND S. MUSKIE, Governor

By the Governor:

PAUL A. MacDONALD, Deputy Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE

#### PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Authorization of the Amendment to the Constitution to Change the Qualifications of Citizenship of the Governor

WHEREAS, the Ninety-seventh Legislature of the State of Maine by a Resolve passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved May 20, 1955

proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

"Section 4 of Part First of Article V of the Constitution is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Governor shall, at the commencement of his term, be not less than thirty years of age; a citizen of the United States for at least fifteen years, have been five years a resident of the state; and at the time of his election and during the term for which he is elected, be a resident of said state.'" and

WHEREAS, it appears by the return of votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations, voting upon said amendment, as directed in the aforementioned Resolve, upon the twelfth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifty-five, and canvassed by the Governor and Council on September twenty-one, nineteen hundred and fifty-five, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment, namely 15,157 for, and 14,452 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edmund S. Muskie, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the Constitution of the State of Maine amended as proposed, and in accordance with the provisions of this said Resolve, the amendment shall hereupon as of the date of this proclamation become a part of the Constitution.

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-sixth day of September, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Eightieth.

EDMUND S. MUSKIE,

Governor

By the Governor:

PAUL A. MacDONALD, Deputy Secretary of State

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#### PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Authorization of the Amendment to the Constitution to Clarify Voting by Persons in Military Service

WHEREAS, the Ninety-seventh Legislature of the State of Maine by a Resolve passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved May 20, 1955 proposed to the electors of said State an amendment to the Constitution repealing Section 12 of Article IX of said Constitution.

WHEREAS, it appears by the return of votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations, voting upon said amendment, as directed in the aforementioned Resolve, upon the twelfth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifty-five, and canvassed by the Governor and Council on September twenty-one, nineteen hundred and fifty-five, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment, namely 25,347 for, and 4,664 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edmund S. Muskie, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the Constitution of the State of Maine amended as proposed, and in accordance with the provisions of this said Resolve, the amendment shall hereupon as of the date of this proclamation become a part of the Constitution.

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-sixth day of September, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Eightieth.

EDMUND S. MUSKIE,

Governor

By the Governor:

PAUL A. MacDONALD,

Deputy Secretary of State

#### STATE OF MAINE

#### PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Authorization of the Amendment to the Constitution Extending Pardon Powers of Governor and Council to Offenses of Juvenile Delinquency

WHEREAS, The Ninety-seventh Legislature of the State of Maine by a Resolve passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved May 20, 1955 proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

"Section II of Part First of Article V of the Constitution is hereby amended by inserting after the first sentence a new sentence to read as follows:

'Such power to grant reprieves, commutations and pardons shall include offenses of juvenile delinquency.'" and

WHEREAS, it appears by the return of votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations, voting upon said amendment, as directed in the aforementioned Resolve, upon the twelfth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifty-five, and canvassed by the Governor and Council on September twenty-one, nineteen hundred and fifty-five, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment, namely, 22,658 for, and 7,562 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edmund S. Muskie, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the Constitution of the State of Maine amended as proposed, and in

accordance with the provisions of this said Resolve, the amendment shall hereupon as of the date of this proclamation become a part of the Constitution.

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-sixth day of September, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Eightieth.

EDMUND S. MUSKIE,

Governor

By the Governor:

PAUL A. MacDONALD,
Deputy Secretary of State

#### STATE OF MAINE

#### PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

An Act to Authorize the Construction of a Bridge Across Jonesport Reach

WHEREAS, the Ninety-seventh Legislature of the State of Maine by an act entitled, "AN ACT to Authorize the Construction of a Bridge Across Jonesport Reach," passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved May 20, 1955, which said act is known and identified as chapter 198 of the Private and Special Laws of 1955, enacted said measure expressly conditioned upon the people's ratification by a referendum vote, at the next general or special state-wide election, and

WHEREAS, such an election was duly called and held on the second Monday of September, 1955 as provided by law, and

WHEREAS, it appears by the return of votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations voting upon said act, upon the twelfth day of September, 1955 that a majority of said votes were in favor of this act becoming a law, namely: 22,204 for, and 8,550 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edmund S. Muskie, Governor of the State of Maine, in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution of said State in such case provided declare said measure adopted, to take effect and become a law thirty days from the date of this proclamation.

Given at the office of the Governor at Augusta and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine, this twenty-sixth day of September, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Eightieth.

EDMUND S. MUSKIE,

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