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ACTS, RESOLVES AND CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTIONS

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Sixth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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PROCLAMATIONS

by

Governor Kenneth M. Curtis

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Reduce the Voting Age to Eighteen Years

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Fifth Legislature of the State of Maine by a Constitutional Resolution passed by a concurrent vote of both branches February 16, 1971, proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

The first sentence of section 1 of Article II of the Constitution, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

'Every citizen of the United States of the age of eighteen years and upwards, excepting persons under guardianship for reasons of mental illness, having his or her residence established in this State for the term of six months next preceding any election, shall be an elector for Governor, Senators and Representatives, in the city, town or plantation where his or her residence has been established for the term of three months next preceding such election, and he or she shall continue to be an elector in such city, town or plantation for the period of three months after his or her removal therefrom, if he or she continues to reside in this State during such period, unless barred by the provisions of the second paragraph of this section; and the elections shall be by written ballot.'

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 Constitutional Resolution at the Special Election on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November, being the second day of November, 1971, and reviewed by the Governor and Council on the seventeenth day of November, 1971, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment; namely,

144,949 for, and
99,274 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kenneth M. Curtis, 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 Constitutional Resolution, 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 seventeenth day of November, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-one, and of the Independence of

the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninty-sixth.

KENNETH M. CURTIS,
Governor

By the Governor:
JOSEPH T. EDGAR,
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Providing that the Term of Office of the Governor Continues Until His Successor has Qualified.

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Fifth Legislature of the State of Maine by a Constitutional Resolution passed by a concurrent vote of both branches February 17, 1971, proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

The first sentence of Section 2 of Part First of Article V of the Constitution is amended to read as follows:

‘The Governor shall be elected by the qualified electors, and shall hold his office for four years from the first Wednesday of January next following the election and until his successor has been duly elected and qualified.’

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 Constitutional Resolution at the Special Election on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November, being the second day of November, 1971, and reviewed by the Governor and Council on the seventeenth day of November, 1971, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment; namely,

170,851 for, and
67,875 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Kenneth M. Curtis, 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 Constitutional Resolution, 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 seventeenth day of November, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-one, and of the Independence of

the United States of America, the One Hundred
and Ninety-sixth.

KENNETH M. CURTIS,
Governor

By the Governor:
JOSEPH T. EDGAR,
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Pledging Credit of the State and Providing for the Issuance of Bonds not Exceeding Four Million Dollars for Loans for Maine Students in Higher Education.

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Fifth Legislature of the State of Maine by a Constitutional Resolution passed by a concurrent vote of both branches June 22, 1971, proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

The 2nd sentence of Section 2 of Article VIII of the Constitution, as enacted by chapter 73 of the resolves of 1967, is amended to read as follows:

'Funds shall be obtained by the issuance of state bonds, when authorized by the Governor and Council, but the amount of bonds issued and outstanding shall not at one time exceed in the aggregate four million dollars.'

WHEREAS, it appears by the return votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations voting upon said amendment as directed in the aforementioned Constitutional Resolution at the Special Election on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November, being the second day of November, 1971, and reviewed by the Governor and Council on the seventeenth day of November, 1971, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment namely,

139,984 for, and
97,430 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Kenneth M. Curtis, 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 Constitutional Resolution, 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 seventeenth day of November, in the
year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred

and Seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-sixth.

KENNETH M. CURTIS,
Governor

By the Governor:
JOSEPH T. EDGAR,
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

AN ACT Relating to Form of Ballots in General Elections.

WHEREAS, written petitions bearing signatures of 45,933 electors of this state, which number is in excess of ten percent of the total vote cast for Governor in the last gubernatorial election preceding the filing of such petitions, as required by Article IV, Part Third, Section 18 of the Constitution of Maine, were addressed to the Legislature of the State of Maine and were filed in the office of the Secretary of State within forty-five days after convening of the One Hundred and Fifth Legislature in regular session requesting that the Legislature consider a bill entitled: AN ACT Relating to Form of Ballots in General Elections; and

WHEREAS, the petitioning electors further requested that should the Legislature not enact said measure without change, that said measure be referred to the people at a Special Election ordered by proclamation of the Governor; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recommended that no action be taken on the initiated bill and the bill be submitted to the electors of this State in accordance with the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Article IV, Part Third, Section 18 of the Constitution of Maine, such election may be held not less than four nor more than six months from the date of a proclamation by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, Governor Kenneth M. Curtis on the nineteenth day of February, 1972, issued his proclamation calling for a Special Election to be held on the third Monday in June, being the nineteenth day of the month, 1972; and

WHEREAS, it appears by the return of votes given in by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations voting upon said bill, on the nineteenth day of June, 1972, and reviewed by the Governor and Council on the fifth day of July, 1972, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this bill becoming law; namely,

110,867 for, and
64,506 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Kenneth M. Curtis, Governor of the State of Maine, in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution of said State in such case pro-

vided, declare said bill adopted, to take effect and become law thirty days after 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 fifth day of July, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-sixth.

KENNETH M. CURTIS,
Governor

By the Governor:
JOSEPH T. EDGAR,
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

AN ACT to Authorize Bond Issue in the Amount of \$3,850,000 for Student Housing at Central Maine Vocational Technical Institute, Eastern Maine Vocational Technical Institute, Washington County Vocational Technical Institute, and the Maine Maritime Academy, Water Front Engineering Complex (Phase I) at Maine Maritime Academy, Site Improvements at Washington County Vocational Technical Institute, Heating and Air Conditioning Shop and Laboratory at Southern Maine Vocational Technical Institute, Completion of School Building at Peter Dana Point Reservation and Multi-Purpose Buildings for Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Reservations.

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Fifth Legislature of the State of Maine by an act entitled,

AN ACT to Authorize Bond Issue in the Amount of \$3,850,000 for Student Housing at Central Maine Vocational Technical Institute, Eastern Maine Vocational Technical Institute, Washington County Vocational Technical Institute, and the Maine Maritime Academy, Water Front Engineering Complex (Phase I) at Maine Maritime Academy, Site Improvements at Washington County Vocational Technical Institute, Heating and Air Conditioning Shop and Laboratory at Southern Maine Vocational Technical Institute, Completion of School Building at Peter Dana Point Reservation and Multi-Purpose Buildings for Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Reservations,"

passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved June 18, 1971, which said act is known and identified as Chapter 118 of the Private and Special Laws of 1971, enacted said measure expressly conditioned upon the people's ratification by a referendum vote at the Special Election to be held on June 19, 1972, and

WHEREAS, it appears by the return of votes given by the electors of the various cities, towns and plantations voting upon said act, upon the nineteenth day of June, 1972, and reviewed by the Governor and Council on the fifth day of July, 1972, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this act becoming law; namely,

102,511 for, and
69,793 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Kenneth M. Curtis, 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 after 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 fifth day of July, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-sixth.

KENNETH M. CURTIS,
Governor

By the Governor:
JOSEPH T. EDGAR,
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

AN ACT to Authorize Bond Issue in the Amount of \$2,985,000 for the Construction and Improvement of Facilities for the Treatment and Care of the Mentally Ill, Mentally Retarded and the Youthful and Adult Offender at our Mental Health and Corrections Institutions.

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Fifth Legislature of the State of Maine, by an act entitled,

“AN ACT to Authorize Bond Issue in the Amount of \$2,985,000 for the Construction and Improvement of Facilities for the Treatment and Care of the Mentally Ill, Mentally Retarded and the Youthful and Adult Offender at our Mental Health and Corrections Institutions,”

passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved June 23, 1971, which said act is known and identified as Chapter 122 of the Private and Special Laws of 1971, enacted said measure expressly conditioned upon the people's ratification by referendum vote at the Special Election to be held on June 19, 1972, 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 nineteenth day of June, 1972, and reviewed by the Governor and Council on the fifth day of July, 1972, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this act becoming law; namely,

136,669 for, and
40,837 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Kenneth M. Curtis, 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 after 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 fifth day of July, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-sixth.

KENNETH M. CURTIS,
Governor

By the Governor:

JOSEPH T. EDGAR,
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

AN ACT to Authorize Bond Issue in the Amount of \$3,090,000 for the Development and Improvement of State Park Facilities, Improvements to Various Airports and Maintenance Building at Augusta.

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Fifth Legislature of the State of Maine, by an act entitled,

“AN ACT to Authorize Bond Issue in the Amount of \$3,090,000 for the Development and Improvement of State Park Facilities, Improvements to Various Airports and Maintenance Buildings at Augusta,”

passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved June 25, 1971, which said act is known and identified as Chapter 140 of the Private and Special Laws of 1971, enacted said measure expressly conditioned upon the people's ratification by a referendum vote at the Special Election to be held on June 19, 1972, 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 nineteenth day of June, 1972, and reviewed by the Governor and Council on the fifth day of July, 1972, that a majority of said voters were in favor of this act becoming law; namely,

87,306 for, and
85,989 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Kenneth M. Curtis, 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 after 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 fifth day of July, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-sixth.

KENNETH M. CURTIS,
Governor

By the Governor:

JOSEPH T. EDGAR,
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

AN ACT to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds in the Amount of Ten Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars on Behalf of the State of Maine to Build State Highways.

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Fifth Legislature of the State of Maine, by an act entitled,

“AN ACT to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds in the Amount of Ten Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars on Behalf of the State of Maine to Build State Highways,”

passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved June 28, 1971, which said act is known and identified as Chapter 148 of the Private and Special Laws of 1971, enacted said measure expressly conditioned upon the people's ratification by a referendum vote at the General Election to be held on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November, 1972, 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 seventh day of November, 1972, and reviewed by the Governor and Council on the twenty-second day of November, 1972, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this act becoming law; namely,

259,313 for, and
127,656 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Kenneth M. Curtis, 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 after 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-second day of November, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-seventh.

KENNETH M. CURTIS,
Governor

By the Governor:
JOSEPH T. EDGAR,
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

AN ACT to Authorize Bond Issue in the Amount of \$8,360,000 for the Construction and Renovation of Higher Education Facilities at the University of Maine.

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Fifth Legislature of the State of Maine, by an act entitled,

“AN ACT to Authorize Bond Issue in the Amount of \$8,360,000 for the Construction and Renovation of Higher Education Facilities at the University of Maine,”

passed by a concurrent vote of both branches and approved February 28, 1972, which said act is known and identified as Chapter 167 of the Private and Special Laws of 1971, enacted said measure expressly conditioned upon the people's ratification by a referendum vote at the General Election to be held on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November, 1972, 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 seventh day of November, 1972, and reviewed by the Governor and Council on the twenty-second day of November, 1972, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this act becoming law; namely,

212,847 for, and
168,469 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Kenneth M. Curtis, Governor of the State of Maine, in pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution of said State in such case provided, declare said measures adopted, to take effect and become a law thirty days after 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-second day of November, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-sixth.

KENNETH M. CURTIS,
Governor

By the Governor:
JOSEPH T. EDGAR,
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Pledging Credit of the State for Guaranteed Loans for Housing for Indians.

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Fifth Legislature of the State of Maine by a Constitutional Resolution passed by a concurrent vote of both branches June 8, 1971, proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

Article IX of the Constitution is amended by adding a new section 14-D, to read as follows:

'Section 14-D. Insuring payment of mortgage loans for Indian housing. For the purpose of fostering and encouraging the acquisition, construction, repair and remodeling of houses owned or to be owned by members of the 2 tribes on the several Indian reservations, the Legislature by proper enactment may insure the payment of mortgage loans on such houses not exceeding in the aggregate \$1,000,000 in amount at any one time and may also appropriate moneys and

authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State at such times and in such amounts as it may determine to make payments insured as aforesaid.'

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 Constitutional Resolution at the General Election on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November, being the seventh day of November, 1972, and reviewed by the Governor and Council on the twenty-second day of November, 1972, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment; namely,

268,969 for, and
104,521 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Kenneth M. Curtis, Governor of the State of Maine, do proclaim the Constitution of the State of Maine amended as proposed and in accordance with the provisos of this said Constitutional Resolution, 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-second day of November, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-seventh.

KENNETH M. CURTIS,
Governor

By the Governor:
JOSEPH T. EDGAR,
Secretary of State

STATE OF MAINE
PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution Pledging Credit of the State for Guaranteed Loans to Resident Maine Veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

WHEREAS, the One Hundred and Fifth Legislature of the State of Maine by a Constitutional Resolution passed by a concurrent vote of both branches February 22, 1972, proposed to the electors of said State the following amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

The first sentence of section 14 of Article IX of the Constitution, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

'The credit of the State shall not be directly or indirectly loaned in any case, except as provided in sections 14-A, 14-B, 14-C, 14-D and 14-E.'

Article IX of the Constitution is amended by adding a new section 14-E, to read as follows:

'Section 14-E. Business loans to veterans. For the purposes of recognizing the services and sacrifices of Maine's men and women who have served their state and country through honorable service in the Armed Forces of the United States in time of war or national emergency; enlarging the opportunities for employment of Maine's veterans; insuring the preservation and betterment of the economy of the State of Maine; and stimulating the flow of private investment funds to Maine's veterans, the Legislature by proper enactment may insure the payment of up to eighty percent of any mortgage loan to resident Maine veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States, when such loans are made in connection with such legitimate purposes and under such terms and conditions as the Legislature may determine, not exceeding in the aggregate two million dollars in amount at any one time and may also appropriate moneys and authorize the issuance of bonds on behalf of the State at such times and in such amounts as it may determine to make payments insured as aforesaid.'

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 Constitutional Resolution at the General Election on the Tuesday following the first Monday of November, being the seventh day of November, 1972, and reviewed by the Governor and Council on the twenty-second day of November, 1972, that a majority of said votes were in favor of this amendment; namely,

292,405 for, and
81,629 opposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Kenneth M. Curtis, 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 Constitutional Resolution, 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-second day of November, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand nine Hundred and Seventy-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the One Hundred and Ninety-seventh.

KENNETH M. CURTIS,
Governor

By the Governor:
JOSEPH T. EDGAR
Secretary of State