

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

DURING ITS SESSION

A. D. 1847.

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Wm. T. JOHNSON,.....PRINTER TO THE STATE

1848.

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE.

No. 3.

SENATE.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
FORTY-SEVEN.

AN ACT respecting the election of officers in all cases,
where a different rule is not prescribed in the consti-
tution of the state.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
tives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECTION 1. In order to determine the result of any
2 election to office, where a different rule is not pre-
3 scribed in the constitution of the state, the number of
4 persons who voted at such election shall first be
5 ascertained, by counting the whole number of sepa-
6 rate ballots given in, excepting blank pieces of paper,
7 and votes for persons not eligible to the office; and
8 the person or persons, not exceeding the number to

9 be voted for at any one time, and having the highest
10 number of votes at such election, shall be declared
11 elected. And in case the candidates at such election
12 receive an equal number of votes, and exceed the
13 number of officers to be voted for at any one time,
14 the candidates having such equal number of votes
15 shall be deemed and declared not elected.

SEC. 2. In all returns of elections required by law
2 to be made, the whole number of ballots shall be dis-
3 tinctly stated, including blank pieces of paper, and
4 votes for persons not eligible to the office for which
5 they shall receive votes.

SEC. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with
2 the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, June 7, 1847.

Ordered, That 350 copies of the foregoing Bill, reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, be printed for the use of the Legislature.

DANIEL T. PIKE, *Secretary*.