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# FORTIETH LEGISLATURE.

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SENATE.

No. 13.

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IN SENATE, February 20, 1861.

The bill "An act designating the place where the Legislature of 1862 shall meet and hold its session," being under consideration, Mr. MILLER of Cumberland proposed to amend by striking out section 2, and inserting as follows :

SECT. 2. The aldermen of cities, selectmen of towns, 2 and assessors of plantations, shall issue their warrants 3 in due form of law, notifying the inhabitants of their 4 respective cities, towns and plantations, qualified to 5 vote in choice of state officers, to give in their votes at 6 the annual election in September next, in relation to 7 this act ; at such meeting said qualified voters shall 8 give in their ballots as follows : those in favor of this 9 act shall give in their ballots with the words "*For* 10 *Portland*" printed or written thereon, and those op- 11 posed to the act shall give in their ballots with the 12 words "*For Augusta*" printed or written thereon ; 13 said ballots shall be received, sorted and counted, and

14 lists thereof made out and returned to the office of the  
15 secretary of state by the clerks of said cities, towns  
16 and plantations, in the same manner as the votes for  
17 senators ; the governor and council shall immediately  
18 thereafter sort and count the same, and forthwith cause  
19 the state of the vote to be published by the printer of  
20 the state, and the governor shall issue his proclama-  
21 tion declaring the votes so returned.

SECT. 3. If it shall appear by the proclamation and  
2 return of the votes aforesaid, that upon a majority of  
3 the ballots so returned the words “ For Portland ” are  
4 printed or written, then this act shall take effect  
5 and be in force from and after the first day of Novem-  
6 ber next ; and when the lease above mentioned shall  
7 be executed, the rooms furnished and the public prop-  
8 erty removed to the satisfaction of the governor and  
9 council, then the governor shall issue his proclamation  
10 convening the legislature of 1862 at Portland ; but if  
11 it shall appear by the proclamation and return afore-  
12 said, that upon a majority of the ballots so returned,  
13 the words “ For Augusta ” are written or printed,  
14 then this act shall be inoperative and void.

SECT. 4. The proceedings at said election shall be  
2 in accordance with the provisions of chapter four of  
3 the revised statutes, so far as applicable thereto.

SECT. 5. This act shall take effect from and after  
2 the first day of May next, so far as to authorize the  
3 calling and holding of the meeting aforesaid.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN SENATE, February 20, 1861.

Amendment proposed by Mr. MILLER of Cumberland laid on the table, and ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, *Secretary.*