

PUBLIC ACTS



THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MICHIGAN

PASSED AT THE

REGULAR SESSION OF 1899

WITH AN APPENDIX CONTAINING JOINT AND CONCURRENT
RESOLUTIONS, AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION, AND
THE STATE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR
ENDING JUNE 30, 1899

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BY AUTHORITY

of Supervisors of said county. And the Board of Supervisors of each county in the upper peninsula is hereby authorized and empowered to give and pay to the circuit judge of the judicial circuit to which said county is attached, such additional salary or compensation as may from time to time be fixed and determined by such Board of Supervisors.

This section as amended shall take effect from the time of its adoption.

And be it further resolved, That said constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the people of the State at the election to be held on the first Monday in April, in the year one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine, and that the Secretary of State is hereby required to certify the same to the clerks of the several counties, and give notice of the same to the sheriffs of the several counties of this State, and the said sheriffs of the several counties of this State shall be required to give notice of the same to the several townships and wards in said State, in the manner required by law, and the inspectors of election in the several townships and cities of this State shall prepare a suitable box for the reception of ballots cast for or against said amendment, and the said amendment shall be printed upon the official ballot used at said election, as provided by law, as follows:

"Amendment to the Constitution relative to Circuit Courts.—YES."

"Amendment to the Constitution relative to Circuit Courts.—NO."

The ballots shall be furnished and shall in all respects comply with and be canvassed, and returns made, as now required by law.

This Joint Resolution is ordered to take immediate effect.

Approved March 7, 1899.

[No. 4.]

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to section twenty-two, article four, of the constitution of this State, relative to furnishing supplies and to the establishment in the city of Lansing of a printing office owned by the State.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That an amendment of section twenty-two, article four, of the constitution of this State, be and the same is hereby proposed, to read as follows:

SEC. 22. The Legislature shall provide by law that the furnishing of fuel and stationery for the use of the State shall be let by contract to the lowest bidder or bidders, who shall give adequate and satisfactory security for the performance thereof. The Legislature shall provide by law for the establishment, at the city of Lansing, of a State Printing and Binding Establishment, in which the printing and binding of the laws and journals, all blanks and printing for the Executive department, and all other printing and binding ordered by the Legislature, shall be performed. The Legislature shall not rescind or alter any contract, nor release the person or persons taking the same, or his or their sureties, from the performance of any of the conditions of his contract. No mem-

ber of the Legislature or officers of this State shall be interested, directly or indirectly, in any State contract. Be it further

Resolved, That the said amendment shall be submitted to the people at the next spring electing, being the first Monday in April, eighteen hundred ninety-nine, and the Secretary of State is hereby required to give notice of the same to the sheriffs of the several counties of this State, at the time prior to said election required by law, and said sheriffs are hereby required to give the several notices required by law. Each person voting for said amendment shall have written or printed on his ballot, as provided by law, the words: "Amendment of the Constitution relating to State Printing Office—YES." Each person voting against said amendment shall have on his ballot, in like manner: "Amendment of the Constitution relating to State Printing Office—NO." The ballots shall all be canvassed in all respects, and records made, as in general elections of State officers.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

[No. 5.]

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to section forty-nine, of article four, of the constitution of this State, relative to the laying out, construction, improvement and maintenance of highways, bridges and culverts by counties and townships.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That an amendment to section forty-nine, of article four, of the constitution of this State, be and the same is hereby proposed, to read as follows:

SEC. 49. The Legislature may provide for the laying out, construction, improvement and maintenance of highways, bridges and culverts by counties and townships, and may authorize counties to take charge and control of any highways within their limits for such purposes; and may modify, change or abolish the powers and duties of township commissioners and overseers of highways. But the tax raised in any one year shall not exceed two dollars upon each one thousand dollars valuation, according to the assessment roll of the county for the preceding year. The Legislature may also prescribe the powers and duties of boards of supervisors in relation to highways, bridges and culverts, and may provide for one or more county road commissioners, to be elected by the people, or appointed, with such powers and duties as may be prescribed by law.

No county shall incur any indebtedness for any purposes in excess of three per cent of the valuation, according to the last assessment roll, and no such indebtedness beyond one-half of one per cent of such valuation shall be incurred, unless authorized by a majority of the electors of said county voting thereon: *Provided*, That any county road system provided by law shall not go into operation in any county until the electors of said county, by a majority vote, have declared in favor of adopting the county road system.