PUBLIC ACTS

OF

THE LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MICHIGAN



REGULAR SESSION OF 1905

CONTAINING JOINT AND CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS, AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION, AND THE STATE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1905.



BY AUTHORITY

[No. 4.]

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to section nine, article fourteen of the constitution of the State of Michigan, to provide for the improvement of the public wagon roads.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the following amendment to the constitution of the State of Michigan be, and the same is hereby, proposed and submitted to the people of the State, that is to say, that section nine of article fourteen of said constitution be amended so as to read as follows:

SEC. 9. The State shall not be a party to, nor interested in, any work or internal improvement, nor engaged in carrying on any such work except in the improvement of or aiding in the improvement of the public wagon roads and in the expenditure of grants to the State of land or other property: Provided, however, That the legislature of the State, by appropriate legislation, may authorize the city of Grand Rapids to issue its bonds for the improvement of Grand River: And be it further resolved, That the said proposed amendment be submitted to the electors of this State at the general election to be held the first Monday in April in the year nineteen hundred five; that the Secretary of State is hereby required to certify this proposed amendment to the clerks of the several counties of the State, as required by section three thousand six hundred twenty-four of the Compiled Laws of eighteen hundred ninety-seven. The several county clerks shall at once, upon receipt of such certified amendment, convene the board of election commissioners of such county, and the said board shall forthwith prepare a ballot for the use of the electors desiring to vote upon said amendment, which shall be substantially in the following form: At the top of each ballot shall be printed in bold faced type the words: "Vote on the amendment to the constitution relative to the State aiding in the improvement of the public wagon roads." Then shall follow:

Amendment to the constitution relative to the State aiding in the improvement of the public wagon roads, (Yes).

Amendment to the constitution relative to the State aiding in the improvement of the public wagon roads, (No).

Such ballots, so prepared, shall be sent out by said board of election commissioners at the same time and in the same manner as the ballot to be used at said general election. And it shall be the duty of the board of election inspectors at each voting precinct in this State to see to it that each elector is furnished with a ballot relative to such proposed amendment at the same time that he is furnished with the general ballot, and to inform such elector of the nature and purpose of it, and each elector shall be required, on coming out of the booth and tendering his vote to the inspectors of election, to produce and hand to such inspectors the ballot relating to such amendment, who shall place the same in the box prepared for that purpose.

All votes cast therefor shall be taken, counted, canvassed and returned as provided by law for the election of State officers.

This joint resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Amendment to the constitution by repealing section "relative to limiting the time for the introduction of bills," proposed by the legislature of nineteen hundred three, and ratified and approved by the people at the November election nineteen hundred four.

ARTICLE FOUR.

SEC. 28. Repealed.

Amendment to the constitution "relative to circuit courts," proposed by the legislature of nineteen hundred five, and ratified and approved by the people at the April election of nineteen hundred five.

ARTICLE SIX.

The State shall be divided into judicial circuits, in each of which the electors thereof shall elect one circuit judge, who shall hold his office for the term of six years, and until his successor is elected and qualified. The legislature may provide for the election of more than one circuit judge in the judicial circuit in which the city of Detroit is or may be situated, and in the judicial circuit in which the county of Saginaw is or may be situated, and in the judicial circuit in which the county of Kent is or may be situated, and in the judicial circuit in which the county of St. Clair is or may be situated. And the circuit judge or judges of such circuits, in addition to the salary provided by the constitution, shall receive from their respective counties such additional salary as may from time to time be fixed and determined by the board of supervisors of said county. And the board of supervisors of each county in the Upper Peninsula, and in the counties of Bay and Washtenaw and the county of Genesce in the Lower Peninsula, is hereby authorized and empowered to give and to pay 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.

Amendment to the constitution "relative to the board of county auditors in the counties of Saginaw, Jackson, Washtenaw, Kent and Wayne," proposed by the legislature of nineteen hundred five, and ratified and approved by the people at the April election of nineteen hundred five.

· ARTICLE TEN.

SEC. 10. The board of supervisors, or, in the counties of Saginaw, Jackson, Washtenaw, Kent, Wayne and Genesee, the board of county auditors shall have the exclusive power to fix the compensation for all services rendered for, and to adjust all claims against their respective counties, and the sums so fixed and defined shall be subject to no appeal.

Amendment to the constitution "relative to the improvement of the public wagon roads," as proposed by the legislature of nineteen hundred five, and ratified and approved by the people at the April election of nineteen hundred five.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN.

Sec. 9. The State shall not be a party to, nor interested in, any work or internal improvement, nor engaged in carrying on any such work except in the improvement of or aiding in the improvement of the public wagon roads and in the expenditure of grants to the State of land or other property: *Provided*, *however*, That the legislature of the State, by appropriate legislation, may authorize the city of Grand Rapids to issue its bonds for the improvement of Grand River.