

necessary for a full explanation of the subject. That one thousand copies of this report shall be printed, and each member of this legislature shall be entitled to six copies thereof.

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[No. 18, S.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5.

In relation to suffrage.

WHEREAS, at the annual session of the legislature of this state for the year 1881, an amendment to the constitution of this state was proposed and agreed to by a majority of the members elected to each of the two houses, which amendment was in the following language :

*Resolved, by the assembly, the senate concurring,* that section 1 of article 3 of the constitution of this state, be amended by inserting after the word "election," where the same occurs in the third line of said section, the words "and in the election district where he offers to vote, such time as may be prescribed by the legislature, not exceeding thirty days," and by adding at the end of said section the words "and provided further, that in incorporated cities and villages, the legislature may provide for the registration of electors, and prescribe proper rules and regulations therefor," so that said section when amended shall read as follows : Section 1. Every male person of the age of twenty-one years or upwards belonging to either of the following classes who shall have resided in the state for one year next preceding any election, and in the election district where he offers to vote, such time as may be prescribed by the legislature, not exceeding thirty days, shall be deemed a qualified elector at such election. 1. Citizens of the United States. 2. Persons of foreign birth, who shall have declared their intention to become citizens conformably to the laws of the United States on the subject of naturalization. 3. Persons of Indian blood, who have once been declared by law of congress to be citizens of the United States, any subsequent law of congress to the contrary notwithstanding. 4. Civilized persons, of Indian decent, not members of any tribe; provided, that the legislature may at any time extend, by law, the right of suffrage to persons not herein enumerated; but no such law shall be in force until the same shall have been submitted to a vote of the people at a general election, and approved by a majority of all the votes cast at such election; and, provided, further, that in incorporated cities and villages, the legislature may provide for the registration of electors, and prescribe proper rules and regulations therefor.

*Resolved, by the senate, the assembly concurring,* that the foregoing amendment to the constitution be and the same is hereby agreed to by this legislature.