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Article X.

Mode of Amend-
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the Constitution

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Article X.

Mode of Amending and Revising the Constitution.

Section I. Any amendment or amendments to this Constitution may be proposed in the Senate or Assembly, and if two thirds of all the members elected to each of the two houses shall vote in favor thereof, such proposed amendment or amendments shall be entered in their journals with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and it shall be the duty of said Legislature to submit such proposed amendment or amendments to the people in such manner and at such time as may be deemed expedient.

Such amendment or amendments shall be published in full in each County of the State wherein a newspaper is published, for at least three months next preceding the elections at which they are to be submitted.

Should more than one amendment be submitted at the same election, they shall be so prepared

and distinguished, by numbers or otherwise, that they can be voted on separately.

If the people shall approve and ratify such amendment or amendments, or any of them, by a majority of the electors qualified to vote for members of the Legislature voting therefor, such amendment or amendments shall become a part of this Constitution.

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Section II. Whenever two thirds of the members elected to each branch of the Legislature shall think it necessary to revise this Constitution, they shall recommend to the electors to vote at the next general election for or against a Convention for that purpose, and if a majority of the electors voting at said election, on the proposition for a Convention, shall vote in favor thereof, the Legislature shall, at its next session, provide by law for calling the same, and the Convention so provided for shall convene within six months after the passage of such law.

Said Convention shall consist of a number of ~~members~~^{delegates} not to exceed that of both branches of the Legislature, which shall be chosen in the same manner, and have the same qualifications as members of the Legislature.

The delegates so elected shall meet within three months after their election at such place as the Legislature may direct.

The Constitution that may be agreed upon by such Convention

shall be submitted to the people at a special election, to be provided for by law, for their ratification or rejection, in such manner as the Convention may determine.

The returns of such election shall, in such manner as the Convention shall direct, be certified to the Executive of the State, who shall call to his assistance the Controller, Treasurer, and Secretary of State, and compare the returns so certified to him; and it shall be the duty of the Executive to declare by his proclamation, such Constitution as may have been ratified by a majority of all the votes cast at such special election, to be the Constitution of the State of California.

INTRODUCED BY COMMITTEE ON FUTURE AMENDMENTS.

DECEMBER 21st, 1878.

READ, REFERRED TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, ORDERED PRINTED, AND
PLACED ON GENERAL ORDER.

MODE OF AMENDING AND REVISING THE CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE X.

SECTION 1. Any amendment or amendments to this Constitution may

- 2 be proposed in the Senate or Assembly, and if two-thirds of all the members
- 3 elected to each of the two Houses shall vote in favor thereof, such proposed
- 4 amendment or amendments shall be entered in their Journals, with the yeas
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- 9 paper is published for at least three months next preceding the election at
- 10 which they are to be submitted. Should more than one amendment be sub-
- 11 mitted at the same election, they shall be so prepared and distinguished, by
- 12 numbers or otherwise, that they can be voted on separately. If the people
- 13 shall approve and ratify such amendment or amendments, or any of them, by
- 14 a majority of the electors qualified to vote for members of the Legislature

Amend sec 1 as follows
Strike out from the word
"Expendent" line 7 & the word
"should" in line 10

Ben Dyke

adopted

Amend Sec 1 by inserting after
the word "time" in line 7 the words
"and after such publication"

T. B. Buchanan adapted

15 voting therefor, such amendment or amendments shall become a part of this
16 Constitution.

SEC. 2. Whenever two-thirds of the members elected to each branch
2 of the Legislature shall think it necessary to revise this Constitution, they
3 shall recommend to the electors to vote at the next general election for or
4 against a Convention for that purpose, and if a majority of the electors voting
5 at said election, on the proposition for a Convention, shall vote in favor thereof,
6 the Legislature shall, at its next session, provide by law for calling the same.
7 Said Convention shall consist of a number of delegates not to exceed that of both
8 branches of the Legislature, which shall be chosen in the same manner, and have
9 the same qualifications, as members of the Legislature. The delegates so elected
10 shall meet within three months after their election at such place as the Legisla-
11 ture may direct. The Constitution that may be agreed upon by such Convention
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15 vention shall direct, be certified to the Executive of the State, who shall call
16 to his assistance the Controller, Treasurer, and Secretary of State, and com-
17 pare the returns so certified to him; and it shall be the duty of the Executive
18 to declare, by his proclamation, such Constitution as may have been ratified
19 by a majority of all the votes cast at such special election, to be the Constitu-
20 tion of the State of California.

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The Convention shall be called by the Legislature at its next session.

FUTURE AMENDMENTS.

As Amended in Convention, and Ordered Engrossed for a Second Reading, February 5th, 1879.

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Further amendments

Amend sec. 1 as follows.

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in line 6 after the word
"manner".

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Report of Council
Committee on Reporting and
Printing, acting as a Com-
mittee on Engrossment
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Articles on
Legislative Department
and
Future Amendment,
as engrossed and passed
to a second reading.

Agree Future Amendments

Feb 12/79

Reported back as
correctly engrossed

G A Thornton

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Feb 21/79

Read second time and adopted
referred to Com on Revision &
adjustment - E F Smith Secy