

Article II.

Right of Suffrage.

Section 1. Every native male citizen of the United States, and every naturalized citizen thereof who shall have become such ninety days prior to any election, of the age of twenty one years who shall have been a resident of the State one year next preceeding the election, and of the election district in which he claims his vote ninety days, shall be entitled to vote at all elections which are now or may hereafter be authorized by law; provided that no idiot, insane person, or person convicted of any infamous crime shall be entitled to the privileges of an elector. Provided, that the Legislature may by law remove in whole, or in part, the disabilities to exercise the elective franchise on account of sex

Section 2. Electors shall in all cases except treason, felony, or breach of the peace, be privileged from arrest on the days of election, during their attendance at such election, going to and returning therefrom

Section 3. No elector shall be obliged to perform militia duty on the day of election, except in time of war or public danger.

Section 4. For the purpose of voting, no person shall be deemed to have gained or lost a residence by reason of his presence or absence while employed in the service of the United States, nor while engaged in the navigation of the waters of this State or of the United States, or of the high seas; nor while a student at any seminary of learning; nor while kept at any almshouse, or other asylum, at public expense; nor while confined in any public prison.

Section 5. All elections by the people shall be by ballot.

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