AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION FOUR (4) OF ARTICLE (1) OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. The following amendment to section four (4) of article one (1) of the constitution of the state of Minnesota, is hereby proposed to the people of said state for their approval or rejection, that is to say: To add at the end of said section the following paragraph: "And the legislature may provide that the agreement of five-sixths (5⁄6) of any jury in any civil action or proceeding, after not less than six (6) hours deliberation, shall be a sufficient verdict therein."

SEC. 2. This proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people of said state for their approval or rejection at the next general election for the year A. D. eighteen hundred and ninety (1890), and each of the legal voters of said state may, at said election, vote by ballot for or against said amendment, and the returns thereof shall be made and certified and such votes and the result thereof declared in the manner provided by law for returning, certifying and canvassing votes at general elections for state officers and
SEC. 3. The ballots used at said election on said amendment shall have printed thereon: “Amendment to article one (1) of the constitution providing for five-sixths (5/6) jury verdict in civil actions, yes—no;” and each elector voting on said amendment shall erase, mark across or scratch out one (1) of said words, yes or no, on said ballot and leave the other on the same when deposited in the ballot box, and no ballots shall be counted except those having one (1) only of said words “yes” or “no” thereon.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 13, 1889.

CHAPTER 2.

[H. F. No. 857.]

AN ACT TO PRESCRIBE THE BOUNDS OF SENATORIAL AND REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICTS, AND TO APPORTION ANEW THE SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES AMONG THE SEVERAL DISTRICTS.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That for the next legislature and thereafter until a new apportionment shall have been made the senate of this state shall be composed of fifty-four (54) members and the house of representatives shall be composed of one hundred and fourteen (114) members.

SEC. 2. That the representation in the senate and house of representatives be apportioned throughout the state in fifty-four (54) senatorial and representative districts, to-wit:

FIRST DISTRICT.

The first (1st) district shall be composed of the county of Houston, and shall be entitled to elect one (1) senator and one (1) representative.