

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MARCH 9, 1868.

Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

JUNE 27, 1868.

Reported by Mr. TRUMBULL with amendments, viz: Strike out the word in [brackets] and insert the words printed in *italics*.

AN ACT

Prescribing an oath of office to be taken by persons from whom legal disabilities have been removed.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That whenever any person, who has participated in the late
4 rebellion, and from whom all legal disabilities arising there-
5 from [has] *have* been removed by act of Congress by a vote
6 of two-thirds of each house, has been or shall be elected or
7 appointed to any office or place of trust in or under the
8 United States, he shall, before entering upon the duties
9 thereof, *instead of the oath prescribed by the act of July*
10 *two, eighteen hundred and sixty-two,* take and subscribe the
11 following oath or affirmation and no other: I, A. B., do solemnly
12 swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitu-
13 tion of the United States against all enemies, foreign and
14 domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the

15 same ; that I take this obligation freely, without any menta
 16 reservation or purpose of evasion, and that I will well and
 17 faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am
 18 about to enter. So help me God.

Passed the House of Representatives March 6, 1868.

Attest : EDWARD McPHERSON, *Clerk.*

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