

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 175

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND THIRTEEN.

In Senate, Feb. 4, 1913.

*Presented by Senator Murphy of Cumberland, and on motion
by same Senator laid on the table for printing pending reference
to a committee.*

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

AN ACT to amend section sixty-three of chapter fifteen of the
Revised Statutes, as amended, relating to the payment of
tuition in secondary schools.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sect. 1. Section sixty-three of chapter fifteen of the Re-
vised Statutes as amended by chapter one hundred sixteen
of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred nine is hereby fur-
ther amended by striking out all of said section after the
word "maintain" in the second line thereof and substituting
in place thereof the following: 'a standard secondary school
may attend any approved secondary school to which he

8 may gain entrance by permission of those having charge
9 thereof, provided the said youth shall attend a school or
10 schools whose courses are approved by the state superin-
11 tendent of schools, and in such case the tuition of said youth,
12 not to exceed thirty dollars annually for any one youth,
13 shall be paid by the town in which he resides as aforesaid,
14 and said tuition so paid, shall be made a part of the high
15 school fund of the town receiving the same; and towns
16 shall raise annually, as other school moneys are raised, a
17 sum sufficient to pay such tuition charges, provided, how-
18 ever, that no youth shall be entitled to free tuition under the
19 provisions of this section unless he shall have satisfactorily
20 passed an examination in common school branches, said ex-
21 amination having been given under the direction of the
22 superintendent of schools of the town wherein such youth
23 resides, on papers procured from the state superintendent
24 of public schools, or unless such youth shall have satisfac-
25 torily completed a standard common school course of study
26 which has been approved by the state superintendent of
27 public schools; except that any youth who has satisfactorily
28 completed the course of a B or C class high school, as pro-
29 vided by chapter seventy-one of the public laws of nineteen
30 hundred nine, shall be entitled to his free tuition as hereinbe-
31 fore provided for the completion of the four years of a
32 standard secondary course without the examination herein
33 prescribed, provided further, that such free tuition privilege
34 shall continue only so long as said youth shall maintain a

35 satisfactorily standard department and scholarship. It shall
36 be the duty of superintendents of schools to issue certifi-
37 cates of free tuition privilege to persons who may be en-
38 titled to free tuition under the provisions of this section,
39 so that said section when amended shall read as follows:

‘Sect. 63. Any youth who resides with a parent or guard-
41 ian in any town which does not support and maintain a
42 standard secondary school may attend any approved sec-
43 ondary school to which he may gain entrance by permission
44 of those having charge thereof, provided the said youth
45 shall attend a school or schools whose courses are approved
46 by the state superintendent of schools, and in such case the
47 tuition of said youth, not to exceed thirty dollars annually
48 for any one youth, shall be paid by the town in which he
49 resides as aforesaid, and said tuition so paid shall be made
50 a part of the high school fund of the town receiving the
51 same; and towns shall raise annually, as other school moneys
52 are raised, a sum sufficient to pay such tuition charges, pro-
53 vided, however, that no youth shall be entitled to free tui-
54 tion under the provisions of this section unless he shall
55 have satisfactorily passed an examination in common school
56 branches, said examination having been given under the di-
57 rection of the superintendent of schools of the town where-
58 in such youth resides, on papers procured from the state
59 superintendent of public schools, or unless such youth shall
60 have satisfactorily completed a standard common school
61 course of study which has been approved by the state super-

62 intendent of public schools; except that any youth who has
63 satisfactorily completed the course of a B or C class high
64 school, as provided by chapter seventy-one of the Public
65 Laws of nineteen hundred nine, shall be entitled to his free
66 tuition as hereinbefore provided for the completion of the
67 four years of a standard secondary course without the ex-
68 amination herein prescribed, provided, further, that such
69 free tuition privilege shall continue only so long as said
70 youth shall maintain a satisfactory standard of deportment
71 and scholarship. It shall be the duty of superintendents
72 of schools to issue certificates of free tuition privilege to
73 persons who may be entitled to free tuition under the pro-
74 visions of this section.'