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Amend said bill by striking out the punctuation "." at the end of the title of "Sec. 4" and inserting in place thereof the following underlined punctuation and words: '; superintendant of schools.'

Further amend said Sec. 4 by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

'The superintendent of the community school shall be selected by the community school committee and shall have the same duties, powers and responsibilites with respect to said school and its committee as are prescribed by law for public school superintendents.'

Further amend said bill by striking out in the 7th line (6th line as printed) of Section 6 the figure $"2\frac{1}{2}"$ and inserting in place thereof the figure '4'.

Further amend said bill by striking out the entire first sentence of Sec. 9 and inserting in place thereof the following: 'This act shall take effect on its approval by the governor only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the several towns embraced within the limits of said district, present and voting at a regular election or one especially called and held for the purpose in each respective town, by the municipal officers of each town, Ashland, Portage Lake, Masardi, Garfield, Nashville, and Oxbow, at its regular place for holding town meetings; the date of holding said elections to be determined by the municipal officers of each respective town but in no case shall be more than 1 year after this act shall become effective.'

Further amend said bill by striking out Sec. 12 thereof and inserting the new section following:

<u>Sec. 12.</u> Participating towns; withdrawal. Towns not orginially in the participating group of towns may be included upon vote of all the towns concerned in the same manner as is prescribed for the establishing of the community school, under such terms and arrangements as may be recommended by the community school trustees and approved by such vote, provided the cost to applying towns shall be based on a fair valuation as determined by the state board of equalization.

When any one town decides to withdraw from the community school district, it must decide affirmatively to do so by a 2/3 vote of the legal voters in said town present and voting at a special town meeting called for that purpose, and by giving to the community school district a 2-year notice of their intent to withdraw; provided the withdrawing town may claim and demand a share equal to 50% of the equity in its capital investment after deduction of depreciation costs; provided further, that the remaining towns in the district shall assume and be liable for the outstanding indebtedness of the district notwithstanding the provisions of section 5. The superior court in equity shall have jurisdiction for the enforcement of the provisions of this section.'

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