

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PUBLIC ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

SEVENTH LEGISLATURE,

AT ITS SESSION

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a number of Enginemen not exceeding thirty-six ; and for the management of the Hose, a Hose Company not exceeding twenty ; and for assistance at fires, an Axe Company not exceeding twenty ; and for the management at fires of Fire Hooks and Ladders, another company not exceeding twenty in number.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the Enginemen and other companies appointed under the authority aforesaid, shall be subject to all the duties and liabilities, and shall be entitled to all the privileges and exemptions of enginemen appointed in manner provided by law.

Who are to be subject to certain duties and liabilities.

[*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 16, 1827.*]

CHAPTER CCCLXI.

AN ACT in further addition to "An Act to provide for the Education of Youth."

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled*, That when it shall be found convenient to form a school district from parts of adjoining towns or plantations, such towns or plantations concurring respectively therein, may establish such district and define the limits thereof, and grant any sum of money for the purposes and in the manner provided in the twelfth section of the Act to which this is additional ; and the Selectmen or Assessors of such towns or plantations shall have and possess, jointly, all the powers provided in the thirteenth section of the said Act : And the district so formed shall be a body corporate to all intents and purposes, as if comprised within one town or plantation. And such district may, by such towns or plantations, with like concurrence, be altered or discontinued, in like manner as any town may alter or discontinue its own districts.

School Districts may be formed from parts of adjoining towns or plantations.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the Assessors of each town or plantation, of which such district shall be a part, shall assign to such district a proportion of the money raised for the support of schools, according to the number of children in that part of such district which may be within such respective town or plantation.

Districts to receive its proportion of school money.

Mode of calling meetings, &c.

Proviso.

And in issuing warrants for district meetings, recovering damages for injuries done to district buildings, giving to instructors certificates of qualification, directing what books shall be used, and visiting, superintending and disciplining the school, the Selectmen or Assessors, the Treasurer and School Committee of the eldest town or plantation, shall have the same powers, and be subject to the same duties respecting such district as respecting districts wholly in their own town or plantation: *Provided,* That all money raised by such district, or by the towns or plantations composing the same, shall be paid into the treasuries of the respective towns or plantations to be assigned in manner aforesaid, or applied to the purposes for which it shall have been legally raised by the district. And such district shall in all cases choose its own school agent.

School may be kept partly by muster and partly by mistress, &c.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That whenever the inhabitants of a school district shall determine to apply part of their school money to the support of a school taught by a mistress, and part to that of a school taught by a master, they may determine in district meeting, or empower the school committee, or a special committee by them chosen, to determine what description of scholars shall attend each school, and assign them to the one or the other, in such manner as shall promote their best proficiency and greatest benefit.

Islands not included in any school district may receive a portion of school money.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That any inhabited Island, so distant from the main that in the opinion of the town or plantation to which it belongs, it cannot with convenience and advantage be included in any school district, and too small to compose a district by itself, may be

omitted in districting the town or plantation; and in such case the Assessors shall assign to the Inhabitants of such Island the amount of school money assessed on them, to be by them expended for the purpose of instruction, in such way as the school committee shall approve.

SECT. 5. *Be it further enacted,* That the inhabitants of school districts, may in district meeting legally assembled, determine if they think proper, at what time they prefer that their schools shall commence, and the agent or agents shall, as far as practicable conform to such determination.

Inhabitants of school districts may determine when the school shall commence.

SECT. 6. *Be it further enacted,* That so much of the Acts to which this is in addition, as are inconsistent with this Act is hereby repealed.

Parts of former acts repealed.

[*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 16, 1827.*]

CHAPTER CCCLXII.

{ AN ACT explanatory of the Act establishing the county of Waldo.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled, That the Plantation heretofore known by the name of Montville Plantation, and so described in the Act passed at the present session, establishing the county of Waldo, be, and the same hereby is, and shall be hereafter considered to be, that portion of the territory of the county of Lincoln which is now incorporated as a town by the name of Liberty; and that said town of Liberty is intended by said Act to be, and henceforth shall be a portion of the territory of, and included within, the limits of said county of Waldo.

The town of Liberty declared to be a part of Waldo County.

[*Approved by the Governor, Feb. 17, 1827.*]