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ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

SIXTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1899.

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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Section 2. Section three of chapter two hundred and eighty-two of the laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-nine is hereby amended, so as to read as follows :

'Section 3. Highways and other ways may be raised or lowered for the purpose of permitting a railroad to pass over or under the same, or the course of the same may be altered so as to facilitate any crossing, or to permit a railroad to pass at the side thereof, on application to the railroad commissioners, and proceeding as provided by section twenty-seven of chapter eighteen as amended by this act, and for such purposes, land may be taken and damages awarded as provided for laying out highways and other ways.'

Section 3,
amended.

Ways may
be raised
or lowered,
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tion to
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sioners.

Section 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 15, 1899.

Chapter 74.

An Act to amend Section three of Chapter two hundred and sixteen, Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by Chapter two hundred and ninety-five, Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, relating to discontinuing schools and conveying school children.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

Section three of chapter two hundred and sixteen, public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by chapter two hundred and ninety-five, public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "as," in the last line of section three, the words 'in the judgment of the superintending school committee shall,' and striking out the word "to" before the words "render such conveyance necessary," so that said section, when amended, shall read as follows :

'Section 3. This act shall not abolish or change the location of any school legally established at the time of its passage; but any town at its annual meeting, or at a meeting called for the purpose, may determine the number and location of its schools, and may discontinue them or change their location; but such discontinuance or change of location shall be made only on the written recommendation of the superintending school committee, and on conditions proper to preserve the just rights and privileges of the inhabitants for whose benefit such schools were established; provided, however, that in case of any school having, as now established, or which shall hereafter have, too few scholars for its profitable maintenance, the superintending

Section 3,
chapter 216,
public laws
1893, as
amended by
chapter 295,
laws of
1897, further
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school committee may suspend the operation of such school for not more than one year, unless otherwise instructed by the town, but any public school failing to maintain an average attendance for any school year, of at least eight pupils, shall be and hereby is suspended, unless the town in which said school is located shall by vote instruct its superintending school committee to maintain said school. The superintendent of schools in each town shall procure the conveyance of all public school pupils residing in his town, to and from the nearest suitable school, for the number of weeks for which schools are maintained in each year, when such pupils reside at such a distance from the said school as in the judgment of the superintending school committee shall render such conveyance necessary.'

—superintendent shall procure conveyance for scholars.

Approved March 15, 1899.

Chapter 75.

An Act amendatory of and additional to Chapter one hundred and forty-three of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Insane Hospital.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

Chapter 143, R. S., amended.

Section 1. Chapter one hundred and forty-three of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "six" in the second line of section one and inserting in place thereof the word 'seven,' so that when amended, said section shall read as follows:

Government of Maine insane hospital vested in seven trustees, one a woman.

'Section 1. The government of the Maine Insane Hospital is vested in a committee of seven trustees, one of whom shall be a woman; they shall be appointed and commissioned by the governor, with the advice and consent of council, to hold their offices during the pleasure of the governor and council, but not longer than three years under any one appointment.'

Government of Eastern Maine insane hospital vested in the trustees of Maine insane hospital.

Section 2. The government of the Eastern Maine Insane Hospital at Bangor is hereby vested in the trustees of the Maine Insane Hospital, who are authorized to organize and prepare it for the reception of patients, to appoint a superintendent, treasurer, steward and other necessary officers, whose salaries they shall fix, and to perform such other acts as are necessary to properly care and provide for patients therein. The action of said trustees to be subject to the approval of the governor and council.

—officers, appointment and salary.

Provisions of chapter 143, R. S.,

Section 3. The provisions of chapter one hundred and forty-three of the revised statutes shall control the government of the