

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SENATE.

No 13.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED
AND FIFTY-FIVE.

AN ACT to authorize Plantations to raise money for
Schools and Highways.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
tives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECTION 1. All plantations organized for election
2 purposes only, are hereby authorized and required, at
3 their annual meeting in March or April, to raise
4 money for schools and highways; to divide said plan-
5 tations into school and highway districts; to choose
6 superintending school committees, school district
7 agents, treasurers, collectors, highway surveyors, and
8 all other legal officers, in the same manner, to the same
9 extent, under the same liabilities and penalties, and
10 with the same power of assessing and collecting said

11 money, and of enforcing accountability and obliga-
12 tions on the part of said officers as towns now have,
13 so that said plantations, so far as raising and expend-
14 ing money for schools and highways are concerned,
15 shall in all respects be in the same condition, and
16 have the same power as towns.

SECT. 2. The assessors of said plantations are
2 hereby authorized and required to assess a tax upon
3 all the polls and estates, within their respective plan-
4 tations, for the purposes aforesaid, and commit a list
5 thereof to the collector, in the same manner as
6 assessors of towns.

SECT. 3. Any plantation that shall neglect or
2 refuse to comply with the provisions of this act, shall
3 thereby forfeit its right to vote in the election of
4 County, State or National officers, and be the same
5 as if it had never been organized; and the assessors
6 of said plantations, who have complied with the pro-
7 visions of this act, shall make a certificate thereof,
8 and shall attach the same to the list of votes return-
9 ed, by said assessors, to the respective authorities
10 whose duty it may be to receive the same, and if such
11 certificate shall not be returned, as aforesaid, the votes

12 of such plantation shall not be by them counted or
13 allowed.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of
2 State to furnish the several plantations with blank
3 forms for election returns, and attach thereto a form
4 of the certificate required by the preceding section.

SECT. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent
2 with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SECT. 6. This act shall take effect from and after
2 its approval by the Governor.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 15, 1855.

This Bill, having had two several readings, was laid on the table and the same ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

LOUIS O. COWAN, *Secretary.*