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Mr. Harold F. Dow  
Chairman Board of Selectmen  
Jefferson, Maine

Dear Mr. Dow:

While by Section 56 ~~56~~ of Chapter 19, Revised Statutes the Superintendent of Schools is required to return a certified list of people of school age to the School Committee, I cannot conceive that it was the intention of the Legislature to require a superintendent to personally take the census.

It would seem to me that the Superintendent of Schools could better spend his time on more important duties, and that it would be rather ridiculous to say that the superintendent in a city like Portland, or Augusta, should take the time necessary for canvassing a place of that size.

The Commissioner of Education and I both agree that the School Committee should employ someone to do it.

Very truly yours,

Franz G. Burkett  
Attorney General

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