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No

November 13, 1962

Deputy

To: Kermit S. Nickerson, Commissioner Education

Re: Playground Equipment

As I understand your memo of October 4, 1962, the town of Caribou voted to "construct and equip an elementary school." The town counsel indicates that the language contained in the vote does not authorize construction of an athletic field or the purchase of playground equipment which will not be situated within the school building. I am in agreement with the town counsel in his opinion and, in any event, his opinion is controlling upon the selectman of the town.

I did indicate to the town counsel that playground equipment is an item which is the proper subject of state subsidy under the provision of R. S., 1954, C. 41, Sec. 237-H. He stated that he would review the town vote to determine whether or not playground equipment was included within the term school equipment.

Richard A. Foley Assistant Attorney General

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