

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Sirois of Rumford.

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**STATE OF MAINE**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-ONE

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**AN ACT Defining Junior High School.**

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 41, § 98, sub-§ VII, amended.** Subsection VII of section 98 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 369 of the public laws of 1955, is amended to read as follows:

**‘VII. Consecutive grades.** It is organized to include not less than 2 consecutive grades from 8 7 to 12, inclusive. A school will be classified as a junior high school when it includes any combination or 2 of more consecutive grades 7 through 10 and meets standards of organization and curriculum as established by the State Board of Education.’

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 41, § 98-A, additional.** Chapter 98 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new section 98-A, to read as follows:

**‘Sec. 98-A. Junior high school defined.** A junior high school shall include such schools as maintain a diversified program of studies approved by the commissioner, for such grades or years as he shall prescribe, throughout a school year of at least 36 weeks. Any 2 grades, 7 through 10, as defined in section 98, may be included in such a school. The cost of maintenance may be taken from high school funds, or from high school funds and elementary school funds combined, in proportion to the cost of maintenance of the several grades. A school of this class may be maintained in connection with or as a part of an approved or accredited high school as defined in section 98. Any approved junior high school may apply to the Commissioner of Education for recognition as an accredited school.’