

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1267

H. P. 882

House of Representatives, February 12, 1963

Referred to Committee on State Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Smith of Strong.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT to Create a Director of School Bus Transportation.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 41, §§ 218-B-1 - 218-B-4, additional. Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 4 new sections, to be numbered 218-B-1 to 218-B-4, to read as follows:

'Director of School Bus Transportation.

Sec. 218-B-1. Purpose. The purpose of sections 218-B-1 to 218-B-4 is to supervise and direct all school bus transportation in the State in order to promote safety and uniformity.

Sec. 218-B-2. Director. The Commissioner of Education, with the approval of the State Board of Education, shall appoint a director of school bus transportation, who shall be a college graduate. He shall have had at least 3 years of professional driving experience, such as driving trucks or buses, and shall have had at least 2 years of experience teaching highway safety or driver education.

Sec. 218-B-3. Rules and regulations. The commissioner, with the approval of the State Board of Education, shall establish rules and regulations to carry out sections 218-B-1 to 218-B-4. Such rules and regulations shall include, but not be limited to, prescribed classroom instruction, on the road check-outs, psychophysical testing, maintenance instruction and prescribe in detail the qualifications of a certified school bus driver. Such rules and regulations shall apply to school buses operated anywhere within the State and shall apply to the school bus problems of the school districts in the State.

Sec. 218-B-4. Duties. The director shall enforce the rules and regulations promulgated under section 218-B-3. He shall make recommendations to the commissioner for changes and additions to the rules and regulations for more efficient operation of school buses. He shall divide the State into 20 districts to facilitate training and examining of drivers. He shall call meetings in the several districts for discussion of the mutual problems concerning school buses.'

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Education the sum of \$13,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964 and the sum of \$13,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965 to carry out the purposes of this act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1963-64	1964-65
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF		
Personal Services	(2) \$10,000	(2) \$10,000
All Other	2,000	2,000
Capital	1,000	1,000
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	\$13,000	\$13,000