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Presented by Mr. Bradeen of Waterboro.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
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**AN ACT to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Education Laws.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 41, § 11, sub-§ XV, additional.** Section 11 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection XV, to read as follows:

**'XV. Educational television programs. To produce or contract for educational television programs.'**

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 41, § 40, repealed.** Section 40 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is repealed as follows:

~~'Sec. 40. Schools under direction of committee or school directors; rules and regulations. The schools referred to in section 37 shall be under the control, direction and supervision of the superintending school committee or school directors and shall admit such persons between the ages of 6 and 21 years and shall give such courses of instruction as said committee or school directors may determine. Pupils in such schools shall be subject to the same conditions, rules and regulations as are provided for public schools'~~

**Sec. 3. R. S., c. 41, § 37, amended.** Section 37 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 37. Money raised for evening schools, day schools, classes and educational activities for adults.** Any administrative unit may, in addition to the sum raised for the support of the public schools, raise and appropriate money for the support of evening schools, day schools, classes and educational activities, which shall admit persons over 16 years of age, who are not in attendance at

another public school, and shall be under the direction and supervision of the superintending school committee or school directors and shall give such courses of instruction as said committee or school directors may determine. Pupils in such schools shall be subject to the same conditions, rules and regulations as are provided for public schools.'

**Sec. 4. R. S., c. 41, § 54, sub-§ IV, amended.** Subsection IV of section 54 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

**IV. Teachers dismissed.** After ~~due notice and~~ investigation, ~~due notice of hearing, and hearing thereon,~~ they shall dismiss any teacher, although having the requisite certificate, who proves unfit to teach or whose services they deem unprofitable to the school; and give to said teacher a certificate of dismissal and of the reason therefor, a copy of which they shall retain ~~and such.~~ Such dismissal shall not deprive the teacher of compensation for previous services.'

**Sec. 5. R. S., c. 41, § 82, amended.** Section 82 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 82. Remote towns; agent.** Whenever the commissioner shall find on investigation that any ~~town or plantation administrative unit~~ is so situated that it is not practicable to ~~form a union combine with other units for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools~~ in accordance with ~~the provisions of~~ sections 77 to 81 and sections 85 to 88, he may place at the service of the committee ~~or school directors~~ of such ~~town or plantation administrative unit~~ the general agent for the schooling of the children in unorganized townships, or any other agent of the commissioner, who shall, when so assigned, serve as the superintendent of schools of said ~~town or plantation; when administrative unit.~~ ~~When~~ the said agent shall so serve he shall have the same powers and shall perform the same service as superintendent of schools of towns; ~~provided, however, that his.~~ ~~His~~ visits to the schools of said ~~town or plantation administrative unit~~ shall be at such intervals as may be directed by the commissioner.'

**Sec. 6. R. S., c. 41, § 83, amended.** Section 83 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 83. Reimbursements.** Whenever the schools of any ~~town or plantation administrative unit~~ shall be placed under the supervision of agents of the commissioner, as provided by ~~the preceding~~ section 82, the treasurer of said ~~town or plantation administrative unit~~ shall pay to the Treasurer of State a sum which shall be at the rate of \$25 annually for each teaching position in said ~~town or plantation administrative unit~~, and the amount so received shall be credited to the General Fund.'

**Sec. 7. R. S., c. 41, § 108, amended.** The 2nd paragraph of section 108 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

'When pupils are sent from one administrative unit to an approved secondary school in another, if any accounts for tuition of such pupils are not paid on or before ~~the 1st day of September~~ August 15th of that year, the commissioner shall pay such accounts, or so much thereof as he shall find to be rightly due, to

the treasurer of the receiving administrative unit, academy, institute or seminary at the next regular annual apportionment, together with interest on such accounts at the rate of 6% annually, computed from said ~~1st day of September~~ **August 15th**, and the commissioner shall charge any such payment against the apportioned fund of the sending administrative unit.'

**Sec. 8. R. S., c. 41, § 162-A, additional.** Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 162-A, to read as follows :

**'Sec. 162-A. Schools for persons over 16 years of age, not at public schools.** In addition to making provision for elementary and secondary schooling of children resident in the unorganized territory as provided in sections 160 to 162, the commissioner may establish evening schools, day schools, classes and educational activities, which shall admit persons over 16 years of age, who are not in attendance at a public school. Pupils in such schools or classes shall be subject to the same conditions, rules and regulations, as are provided for public schools.'

**Sec. 9. R. S., c. 22, § 48, amended.** The 4th paragraph of section 48 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows :

'All motor vehicles used as school buses, except the pleasure car type, so called, shall be equipped with 2 doors, one on the right side near the front of the bus to be used for all ordinary exits and entrances; the other ~~at the rear to be equipped with a spring lock on the inside to be used only in case of emergency~~ to be located in center of rear end of bus or in rear half of left side of bus if engine is so located as to make it impossible to place door in center of rear end.'