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No. 1970

H. P. 1527 House of Representatives, January 24, 1972
Committee on Education suggested.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Smith of Dover-Foxcroft.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-TWO

**AN ACT Permitting the Commissioner of Education to Assign Towns to
Supervisory Units when Fewer than 35 Teachers are Employed.**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, certain administrative units are not part of school unions or School Administrative Districts; and

Whereas, these units are experiencing difficulty in obtaining adequate school supervision; and

Whereas, it would be in the best interests of the municipalities and the State to insure adequate school supervision; and

Whereas, passage of this Act would permit the commissioner to assure the communities of adequate school supervision; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

R. S., T. 20, § 151, sub-§ 6, additional. Section 151 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection 6 to read as follows:

6. **Enlarging supervision.** Whenever a unit has fewer than 35 teachers, the commissioner may add the unit to an existing supervisory unit notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill authorizes the commissioner to assign towns to school unions for the purpose of school supervision.