

# FORTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE.

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No. 83.

## STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY.

AN ACT to amend chapter eleven of the revised statutes, relating to the employment of teachers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. Sections ten, forty-eight, fifty-four and 2 fifty-five, of the eleventh chapter of the revised stat-3 utes, and the items or specifications marked "second" 4 and "fourth" of the fifty-third section of the same 5 chapter, are hereby repealed.

SECT. 2. The eleventh section of the same chapter, 2 is amended, so as to read as follows:

3 "Sect. 11. Any town failing to elect members of 4 superintending school committee or supervisor, as re-5 quired by law, shall forfeit not less than thirty nor 6 more than two hundred dollars."

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SECT. 3. The fifth specification or item of section 2 twenty-two of the same chapter, is amended, so as to 3 read as follows:

4 "Fifth. To instruct the superintending school com-5 mittee or supervisor at what time the schools shall 6 commence, if they find it practicable."

SECT. 4. The thirty-first section of the same chap-2 ter, is amended, so as to read as follows :

3 Sect. 31. A school district, at a legal meeting, 4 may determine what proportion of their school money 5 shall be expended for the support of a summer school, 6 and the superintending school committee or supervisor 7 shall expend it accordingly, if practicable."

SECT. 5. The first item or specification of section 2 forty-nine of the same chapter, is amended, so as to 3 read as follows:

4 "First. They shall appoint suitable times and places 5 for the examination of candidates proposing to teach 6 in town, and give notice thereof by posting the same 7 in two or more public places within the town at least 8 three weeks before the time of said examination, and 9 the publication for a like length of time of said notice 10 in the newspaper having the largest circulation in the 11 county. They shall employ teachers for the several 19 districts in the town, and notify the several school 20 agents of the teachers employed and the compensation21 agreed to be paid."

SECT. 6. The eleventh item or specification of sec-2 tion forty-nine of the same chapter, is amended, so as 3 to read as follws:

4 "Eleventh. Determine what description of scholars 5 shall attend each school, classify them, and transfer 6 them from school to school in districts where more 7 than one school is kept at the same time, and no dis-8 trict committee is elected, and may authorize the 9 admission of scholars in one district into the schools of 10 another district."

SECT. 7. The third item or specification of section 2 fifty-three of the same chapter, is amended, so as to 3 read as follows:

4 "Third. To provide fuel and utensils necessary for 5 the schools, and make repairs upon the school houses 6 and out-buildings, and procure insurance of the same 7 if the district so direct; but no more than one-tenth 8 of the money apportioned to the district shall be ex-9 pended for such repairs in one year, exclusive of fuel 10 and insurance."

SECT. 8. The fourth item or specification of section 2 fifty-three of the same chapter, shall read as follows:

3 "Fourth. He shall, within the year for which he 4 is chosen, perform all the duties required of him by

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5 law, and if he refuses or neglects so to do, as far as 6 far as practicable, the municipal officers, on complaint 7 of any inhabitant of the district, and after due notice 8 and investigation, may appoint a special agent to dis-9 charge such duties, who shall be duly sworn, have 10 all the powers and perform all the duties of school 11 agent for the district."

SECT. 9. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with 2 this act are hereby repealed, and this act shall take 3 effect when approved.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 25, 1870.

Reported from the Committee on Education, by Mr. DAGGETT, and ordered printed.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.