## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## FORTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

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No. 54.

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to authorize towns to provide books for the use of pupils in the public schools.

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

- Section 1. Towns, cities and plantations, are hereby
- 2 empowered to raise money to provide school books
- 3 for the use of the pupils in their public schools, at the
- 4 expense of said town, city or plantation, or to furnish
- 5 them at cost to the pupils; and all money raised and
- 6 appropriated for that purpose, shall be assessed in the
- 7 same manner as that in which other moneys raised for
- 8 lawful purposes are assessed.
  - SECT. 2. Whenever the superintending school com-
- 2 mittee shall have made a selection of school books as
- 3 is required by law, they are hereby authorized under

- 4 the provisions of the preceding section to contract with
- 5 the publishers for the purchase and delivery of the
- 6 same, and shall make such rules as they may deem
- 7 reasonable and effectual for the preservation and return
- 8 of the school books thus provided; or if kept for sale,
- 9 shall regulate the same, by appointing some suitable
- 10 person as agent to have and to sell, and the retail
- 11 price shall be fixed by them and marked upon the
- 12 title page of each book.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

## STATE OF MAINE.

In Senate, March 9, 1870.

Reported from the Committee on Education, by Mr. FRENCH of Franklin, and printed under the Joint Rule.

SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary.