

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 169.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to provide for securing better qualified
teachers for common schools.

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

SECTION 1. The superintending school commit-
tee or supervisor of every town and plantation in
this state, shall appoint suitable times and places,
at least twice each year, for the public examina-
tion of candidates proposing to teach in said towns
and plantations, and shall give notice thereof by
posting the same in three or more public places
therein, at least four weeks before the time of said
examination, and the publication for a like length
of time of said notice in one or more of the county
newspapers having the largest circulation in the

12 county. They shall examine all persons then
13 appearing before them, in the branches by law re-
14 quired to be taught in the common schools of the
15 state and such other branches as they shall deter-
16 mine to have taught in the several schools of their
17 town, and in capacity for the government and in-
18 struction of schools. They shall grant certificates
19 valid for two years, to such as shall have passed
20 satisfactory examinations, and shall certify to the
21 agents of the several school districts in their town
22 the names of such persons certificated by them as
23 in their opinion seem best qualified and fitted for
24 their several districts; and no teacher shall be em-
25 ployed by said agents unless so certified.

SECT. 2. No person shall be examined to teach
2 in any town at any other times except those ap-
3 pointed as provided in the preceding section, ex-
4 cept upon first paying to the school committee or
5 supervisor the sum of one dollar and fifty cents,
6 which fee shall in every case be accounted for and
7 paid into the treasury of the town.

SECT. 3. Said committees and supervisors shall
2 annually transmit to the state superintendent of
3 common schools, as a part of the returns by them
4 annually required by law to be made, a list of all

TEACHERS.

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5 teachers by them certified during the year preced-
6 ing, with their post office addresses.

SECT 4. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent
2 with this act, are hereby repealed.



STATE OF MAINE.

In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
March 15, 1881. }

Reported by Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Education, and ordered printed under Joint Rule.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*