

## Sixty-Second Legislature.

No. 160.

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to facilitate the abolition of School Districts by towns.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever any town shall have 2 abolished its school districts, as provided in section 3 three of chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, 4 such action shall be held to abolish all union dis-5 tricts formed by said town in concurrence with 6 other towns, as provided in section seventy-one of 7 said chapter, and all districts which may have 8 been specially chartered by act of Legislature. 9 In case of the abolition of any such union district, 10 when the school-house belonging thereto is situate 11 in the town abolishing, such town shall take pos-

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12 session of said house, with all the appurtenances 13 thereunto belonging, as in case of districts wholly 14 within the town, but shall pay to the town or 15 towns, in which is situated the other part or parts 16 of such district, for the benefit and use of such 17 other part or parts, a sum equal to such portion of 18 the value of said house and appurtenances as such 19 part or parts shall be in equity entitled to, the 20 same to be determined by agreement of the muni-21 cipal officers of the towns out of which such 22 union district has been formed; or in case such 23 officers can not so agree, by a board of referees by 24 them agreed upon. In case the school-house be-25 longing to such union district is not within the 26 town abolishing, said town shall pay to the inhabi-27 tants of its part of said district, by abatement 28 upon their taxes, a sum equal to their equitable 29 interest in such school-house and appurtenances, 30 the same to be determined by the municipal officers 31 of said town.

SECT. 2. Whenever any town shall have abol-2 ished its school districts, such districts shall not 3 be re-established within the three years next there-4 after.

SECT. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent 2 herewith are hereby repealed.

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IN SENATE CHAMBER, March 5, 1885.

Reported by Mr. TAPLEY, from Committee on Judiciary, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

C. W. TILDEN, Secretary.