

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

HOUSE.

No. 79.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED
AND NINETY-SEVEN

AN ACT to repeal so much of chapter 461 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885 entitled "An Act granting Additional Powers to the Inhabitants of School District number five in the town of Kennebunk" and acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof, as relates to the maintenance of Schools and School-houses.

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

Section 1. Section one of chapter 461 of the Private and
2 Special Laws of 1885 is hereby amended by striking out so
3 much thereof as relates to the maintenance of schools and

4 school buildings in said district, so that said section as
5 amended shall read as follows:

‘ Section 1. The inhabitants of school district number five
7 in the town of Kennebunk shall continue to be and are
8 hereby declared to be a corporation, and are hereby author-
9 ized, in addition to the power now conferred by law, upon
10 school districts, at any legal meeting called for the purpose
11 to raise by assessment or by loan as hereinafter provided
12 such sums of money as may be deemed necessary and suffi-
13 cient for the organizing and maintaining within the limits
14 of said district of an efficient fire department; for building,
15 purchasing, renting, repairing, and maintaining engine
16 houses, hook and ladder carriage houses, and lockups or
17 police stations; for purchasing, repairing, and maintaining
18 fire engines, hose, ladders, buckets, machines and other
19 apparatus for the extinguishment and prevention of fires;
20 for the construction and repair of reservoirs and aqueducts;
21 for the procuring of water and pumps, pipes and machinery;
22 for handling and distributing the same; for establishing and
23 maintaining a public library in said district in the same way
24 and to the same extent that towns may do; for the purchas-
25 ing and renting of real estate for any of the above purposes;
26 to pay for the services of one or more police officers, night
27 watchmen, truant officers, or any other officers to whom
28 the district may vote a salary or compensation.’

Sect. 2. Section two of said chapter is hereby amended
2 by striking out in the third line of said section the words

3 “three superintending school committee men” and in the
4 fourth line thereof the word “agent” so that said section as
5 amended shall read as follows:

‘ Section 2. The officers of said district under this act
7 unless said district shall otherwise determine shall consist of
8 clerk, treasurer, collector, assessors, one or more auditors,
9 chief engineer, two or more assistant engineers, one or more
10 police officers, and such other officers as may be provided
11 for in the by-laws of said district; and such other officers
12 except as herein otherwise provided shall have the same
13 qualifications and shall be elected and qualified in the same
14 way, and shall perform in said district the same duties as
15 similar officers elected by towns, and such qualifications may
16 be before the clerk of said district.’

Sect. 3. Section three of said chapter is hereby repealed
2 and re-enacted to read as follows:

‘ Section 3. All public schools in said district shall here-
4 after be supported and maintained by said town of Kenne-
5 bunk and be managed and superintended by its proper
6 officers as are the other public schools of said town.’

Sect. 4. Section eleven of said chapter is hereby repealed.

Sect. 5. Section twelve of said chapter is hereby amended
2 by striking out from the second and third lines thereof the
3 words “or by the State for the maintenance of a free high
4 school in said district,” so that said section as amended
5 shall read as follows:

‘Section 12. All moneys payable to said district by said
7 town as aforesaid, or for any other purpose, as well as all
8 moneys derived from taxation or loan, or from any other
9 source, shall be paid to the treasurer of the district and
10 received and held by him for the uses of the district. The
11 treasurer shall repay all loans and interest thereon, as the
12 sums may become due, from any money in the treasury
13 assessed or appropriated for that purpose, but no other
14 money shall be paid therefrom except upon the written
15 order of the assessors, and no such order shall be drawn by
16 them except upon a properly avouched bill of items. The
17 collector, and when required, the treasurer shall give bonds
18 in such sums as the district may direct, to be approved by
19 the assessors.’

Sect. 6. Said chapter is further amended by adding thereto
2 the following section:

‘Section 16. Immediately after this act shall have become
4 a law, said town of Kennebunk shall take possession of all
5 school-houses, school-house lands, school apparatus, and all
6 other school property belonging to said district, which said
7 district may lawfully sell and convey. The property so taken
8 shall forthwith be appraised by the assessors of said town,
9 and at the first annual assessment thereafter a tax shall be
10 levied upon such part of said town as is included within said
11 district equal to the whole of said appraisal and there shall
12 be remitted to the taxpayers of said district the said
13 appraised value of its property so taken.’

Sect. 7. This act shall take effect on the first day of
2 March, A. D. 1897.



STATE OF MAINE.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

February 11, 1897.

Reported by Mr. GOWELL of Berwick, from Committee on Education, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*