

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

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# Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 246.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT to amend section 18 of chapter 11 of the Revised  
Statutes of 1883, as now amended, relating to Election, Quali-  
fications and Compensation of School Committees.

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

Section 1. Section 18 of chapter 11 of the Revised  
2 Statutes, as amended by chapter 216 of the Public Laws of  
3 1893, is hereby amended by striking out of the third line  
4 thereof the words "five or seven unless already done," so  
5 that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

‘Section 18. Every town shall choose by ballot at its  
7 annual meeting, a superintending school committee of  
8 three, to hold office as provided in section 86 and shall fill  
9 vacancies arising therein at each subsequent annual meet-  
10 ing. No person is ineligible to the office of superintend-  
11 ing school committee, on account of sex.’

Sect. 2. Section 86 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes,  
2 as amended by chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893 is  
3 hereby amended by striking out the words “if consisting of  
4 three” in the fourth line thereof and also by striking out  
5 the words “if consisting of five, one for one year, two for  
6 two years, and two for three years; if consisting of seven,  
7 two for one year, two for two years, and three for three  
8 years,” and at the end of the section adding the following  
9 words ‘and the term of office of any member of the com-  
10 mittee so chosen, shall expire at the next annual town  
11 meeting. No member of the superintending school com-  
12 mittee of any town shall be employed as a teacher in any  
13 public school in said town,’ so that said section as amended  
14 shall read as follows:

‘Section 86. School committees at their first meeting  
16 shall designate by lot a member or members to hold office  
17 for one, two and three years respectively, in manner as fol-  
18 lows: one for one year, one for two years and one for  
19 three years; and they shall certify such designation to the  
20 town clerk to be by him recorded. Said committee shall  
21 have power to fill vacancies occurring during the interim

22 between annual meetings, and the term of office of any  
23 member of the committee so chosen shall expire at the next  
24 annual town meeting. No member of the superintending  
25 school committee of any town shall be employed as a  
26 teacher in any public school in said town.'

Section 92 of chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, as  
28 amended by chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1893, is  
29 hereby amended by adding after the word "pay" in the  
30 second line thereof, the words 'unless otherwise voted by  
31 the town' and by striking out in the second line the words  
32 "by them elected," so that said section as amended shall  
33 read as follows:

'Section 92. Superintending school committees shall  
35 serve without pay, unless otherwise voted by the town, but  
36 the superintendent shall receive for his services such sum  
37 as the town shall annually vote therefor, which sum shall  
38 in no case be less than two dollars per day for every day  
39 of actual service.'

Sect. 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this  
2 act are hereby repealed.

STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

March 5, 1897.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*