

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# Sixty-Eighth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 315.

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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 chapter one hundred and sixteen of the  
Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, relating  
to the Schooling of Children in Unorganized Townships.

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

Section 1. Section one of chapter one hundred and six-  
2 teen of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-  
3 five, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

‘Whenever in any unorganized township in this State there  
5 shall be two or more children between the ages of four and  
6 twenty-one years, the State superintendent of schools shall  
7 cause an enumeration of said children to be made and  
8 returned to him, and shall provide for the schooling of said

9 children either by establishing a school in the township or  
10 by sending the children to schools in adjoining towns or  
11 plantations, or both, as shall by him be deemed expedient.  
12 In case any of said children are, by the State superinten-  
13 dent, sent to schools in adjoining towns or plantations said  
14 children so sent shall have the same right in such school  
15 as children resident in said town or plantation. Provided,  
16 however, that in case the interest on the reserved fund in  
17 any unorganized township is not sufficient to provide school-  
18 ing for the children of said township for at least twenty  
19 weeks in a year, a sum per scholar equal to that apportioned  
20 by the State treasurer to each scholar in the State shall  
21 be set apart by the State treasurer to pay the expenses of  
22 schooling the children in said unorganized township and  
23 the State treasurer shall pay the same to the State superin-  
24 tendent of schools upon warrants from the governor and  
25 council. Provided, further, that no money shall be ex-  
26 pended under this section for the benefit of any township  
27 until the inhabitants of said township shall pay to the State  
28 treasury a sum equal to twenty-five cents for each inhab-  
29 itant thereof.'

Sect. 2. Section two of said chapter is hereby amended  
2 so as to read as follows:

'Section 2. The State superintendent shall certify to the  
4 governor and council the number and residences of the chil-  
5 dren enumerated and schooled, as provided in section one  
6 of this chapter, together with the cost of schooling said

7 children, and the governor and council shall direct the  
8 treasurer of State to pay to the State superintendent of  
9 schools the interest on reserved land fund of the township  
10 in which said children reside, but not exceeding three dol-  
11 lars for each scholar so enumerated from said unorganized  
12 townships. The State superintendent of schools shall pay  
13 to the treasurer of any town or plantation in which he may  
14 school any of said children, the same amount per scholar  
15 that he shall receive from the treasurer of State.'

STATE OF MAINE.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

March 17, 1897.

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

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*