## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 556

## STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVEN.

AN ACT to amend sections thirteen and one hundred and twenty-four of chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the mill fund and school tax.

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

- Section 1. Section thirteen of chapter fifteen of the 2 Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking out in the
- 3 fifth line thereof the word "eighty" and inserting in its stead
- 4 the word 'fifty-five,' so that said section as amended shall 5 read as follows:
- 'Sect. 13. Every town shall raise and expend, annually, for 7 the support of common schools therein, exclusive of the

8 income of any corporate school fund, or of any grant from 9 the revenue or fund from the state, or of any voluntary 10 donation, devise or bequest, or of any forfeiture accruing to 11 the use of schools, not less than fifty-five cents for each 12 inhabitant, according to the census by which representatives 13 to the legislature were last apportioned, under penalty of 14 forfeiting not less than twice nor more than four times the 15 amount of its deficiency, and all moneys provided by towns, 16 or apportioned by the state for the support of common 17 schools, shall be expended for the maintenance of common 18 schools established and controlled by the towns by which 19 said moneys are provided, or to which said moneys are 20 apportioned.'

- Sect. 2. Section one hundred and twenty-four of chapter 2 fifteen of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by striking 3 out the words "one mill" in the first line thereof and insert-4 ing in their place the words 'one and one-half mills,' so that 5 said section as amended shall read as follows:
- 'Sect. 124. A tax of one and one-half mills on a dollar shall 7 annually be assessed upon all the property in the state 8 according to the valuation thereof, and shall be known as the 9 mill tax for the support of common schools.'
  - Sect. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

## STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives,

Augusta, March 14, 1907.

Reported by Mr. IRVING from Committee on Taxation, and ordered printed under joint rules.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.