

SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE.

No. 253

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT additional to Section forty-two and amendatory to Section forty-four of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Statuutes, relating to appropriations in aid of school superintendents.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sect. 1. Section forty-two of chapter fifteen of the Re-2 vised Statutes as it appears in its amended form in the laws 3 of nineteen hundred seven, is hereby amended by inserting in 4 line one before the word "whenever" the figure "I," and by 5 inserting after the word "year" in line fourteen, the follow-6 ing: "II. Whenever the chairman and secretary of school 7 committees of towns and cities having under their care and 8 custody an aggregate of more than fifty schools, shall certify

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9 under oath to the State superintendent of schools, the form 10 of certificate to be determined by said State superintendent 11 that a superintendent of schools has been employed by them 12 for one year, and the salary that he received, then upon the 13 approval of said certificate by the State superintendent of 14 schools and presentation to the governor and council, a war-15 rant shall be drawn upon the treasurer of the State for the 16 payment to the treasurer of that town or city, of a sum equal 17 three-fifths of the amount expended by said town or city 18 for said superintendence, provided that the amount so paid 19 for the benefit of a single town or city shall not exceed eight 20 hundred dollars in one year," so that said section as amend-21 ed shall read as follows:

'Section 42. I. Whenever the chairman and secretary 23 of said joint committee shall certify under oath to the State 24 superintendent of schools, according to form prescribed by 25 the State superintendent that a union has been maintained 26 and a superintendent employed as provided in sections forty 27 and forty-one of this chapter, which certification shall be 28 made quarterly, on the first days of January, April, July and 29 October of each year, then, upon approval of said certificate 30 by the State superintendent of schools and presentation to 31 the governor and council, a warrant shall be drawn upon 32 the treasurer of the State for the payment to the superin-33 tendent so employed of a sum equal to twice the aggregate

34 sum paid by the towns comprising the union, provided that

35 the amount so paid for the benefit of a single union of towns36 shall not exceed eight hundred dollars in one year.

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Sect. 2. Section forty-four of chapter fifteen of the Re-2 vised Statutes is hereby amended by inserting in line two 3 after the word "forty-one" the words "and section forty-4 two," so that said section as amended, shall read:

'Section 44. Persons employed to serve as superintendents 6 of schools under section forty-one and section forty-two shall 7 hold State certificates under section one hundred and five 8 and shall devote their entire time to superintendence. The 9 powers and duties of such superintendents shall be the same 10 as those prescribed for town superintendents in this chapter.'

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House of Representatives.

Augusta, Feb. 19, 1909.

Tabled pending reference to a committee by Mr. ROUNDS of Portland and ordered printed.

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.