MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE. No. 375

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section nineteen of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes relating to the purchase of second hand school books for schools.

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

Section 1. Section nineteen of Chapter fifteen of the Re-

- 2 vised Statutes as amended by section four of Chapter forty-
- 3 eight of the Public Laws of 1905 is hereby further amended
- 4 by adding thereto the words "no second hand books shall be
- 5 purchased for use in any school; any person violating this
- 6 provision shall forfeit not exceeding five hundred dollars to
- 7 be recovered in an action of debt by any school officer or
- 8 person aggrieved," so that said section as amended shall
- 9 read as follows:

Towns shall expend the entire amount of the 11 school fund and mill tax received from the State together 12 with the amount arising from the eighty cents per capita as 13 provided in section thirteen of said Chapter fifteen and the 14 fund arising from the various sources enumerated in the 15 first four lines of section thirteen of said chapter and the 16 funds arising from the provisions of section fourteen of 17 said chapter for the payment of teachers' wages and board, 18 fuel, janitor's services, conveyance of scholars and tuition 19 and board of scholars as provided in section two and sec-20 tion fifty of said Chapter fifteen and shall provide school 21 books, apparatus and appliances for the use of pupils in the 22 public schools including all free high schools at the expense 23 of said town and shall also pay for the necessary repairs of 24 school buildings and the insurance on the same, if any, im-25 provement and maintenance of school yards and play grounds 26 out of a sum or sums of money raised and appropriated for 27 that purpose which shall be assessed like other money and 28 shall be in addition to and independent of the amount the 29 towns are required by law to raise, excess and expend 30 for the support of common schools; provided, however, that 31 any parent or guardian of any pupil in the public schools 32 may at his own expense procure for the separate and ex-33 clusive use of such pupil the text-books to be required to be 34 used in such school and no second hand books shall be pur-35 chased for the use of any school; any person violating this

36 provision shall forfeit not exceeding five hundred dollars, 37 to be recovered in an action of debt by any school officer 38 or person aggrieved.

STATE OF MAINE.

House of Representatives,

Augusta, March 2, 1909.

Reported by Mr. STANLEY from Committee on Education and ordered printed under joint rules,

E. M. THOMPSON, Clerk.